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Move For General Strike On Air Lines

INCREASED SUPPORT TO AIR-INDIA WORKERS

Call To Demand Withdrawal Of Dismissal Threat

BOMBAY, Sunday.

The three-day old strike of the employees of Air-India Ltd. continued today without any change in the situation.

The Executive Committee of Bombay Provincial Air Workers' Federation met in Bombay today and decided to lend its full support to the Air-India Union.

A spokesman of the Federation stated that there is every possibility of a general strike of air workers, if the demands of the Air-India employees are not conceded. The Federation Executive has appointed an Emergency Action Committee and has empowered it to issue a call for a general strike, if an early settlement is not arrived at with the Air-India workers and if the management do not withdraw the threat of dismissal of workers, who do not resume work on Monday.

The Executive Committee has also issued a directive to affiliated unions to take steps to see that no planes chartered by Air-India from other companies are operated by their workers.

A call to demand withdrawal of the dismissal threat has also been issued.

Workers of the Indian Overseas Airlines and of the Air Services of India resolved to contribute one day's wages to help the Air-India workers, and not to operate any planes chartered by Air-India Ltd.

STRIKE COMMITTEE ARRESTS

Four workers of the Air-India Union's Strike Committee are reported to have been arrested by the police today. The Union, it is reported, will not consider any proposal put forth by the management unless the arrested workers are released. The workers favour a continuance of the strike till their demands are conceded.

DELHI-BOMBAY 'VIKING' SERVICE

NEW DELHI, Feb. 20. (A. P. I.): Direct 'Viking' service between Delhi and Bombay will operate to schedule from tomorrow, Air-India Limited announced here today.

The service from Bombay will start at 8 a.m. reaching Palam airport at 12 noon, while the service from Delhi will start at 1 p.m. reaching Bombay at 4-55 p.m.

The 'Viking' service of Air India between Delhi and Bombay only is being restored from Monday. It may be recalled that all the inland services of Air-India has been suspended due to the strike by the workers.

MADRAS-BOMBAY SERVICE

MADRAS, Feb. 20. (A.P.I.): The Air-India service from Madras, which was suspended yesterday, was resumed this morning, all workers having reported for duty as usual.

The Bombay-bound plane took off at 8 a.m. from Meenambakam aerodrome with full complement of passengers and freight.

WHOSE MONEY?

According to Mr. T. Donges, the South African Government is considering whether it should increase the bonus payable to Indians if they return voluntarily to India for food. (News Item).

ISRAELI-EGYPTIAN ARMISTICE TERMS FLOWN TO TEL AVIV

Haggling Over Beersheba To Go On For A Day Or Two

RHODES, Feb. 20. (PTI-Reuter): An Israeli courier left here for Tel Aviv today with a copy of the latest draft of a general Israeli-Egyptian armistice agreement, which Dr. Ralph Bunche, the acting Mediator, had worked all night to prepare.

Informed sources said the Israelis completely approved the draft, but the Egyptians withheld approval of a disputed clause on the future status of Beersheba, Jewish-held "capital" of the Negev, pending reference to Cairo. The Egyptians were expected to send a copy to Cairo tomorrow.

Dr. Bunche read out the draft of the agreement at a 40-minute plenary session of the Armistice Conference today. Haggling over Beersheba, disputed Jewish-held "capital" of the Negev, may go on for a day or two yet, delaying the probable signing day of the armistice until the middle of next week, according to informed sources.

The armistice conference met here in plenary session today for the first time in five weeks.

The Egyptians today sent an officer of their delegation, Col. Mahmoud Raid to Gaza, northern Negev, for consultations with field commanders. He was expected back either tonight or tomorrow.

MAIN FEATURES OF PACT

The draft agreement, which Dr. Bunche presented to both delegations so far comprises 12 articles. Details are still secret, but an informed conference source said the main points were: (1) Present frontlines, with few exceptions, would be "frozen", and Auja, on the Egyptian border, would become the seat of the Mixed Armistice Commission and be neutral territory.

(2) Narrow strips of no-man's land would separate the front lines.

(3) Almost the entire Gaza coastal strip would remain in Egyptian hands.

(4) The Israelis would be allowed to keep their forces in the Eastern Negev, facing Transjordan, until a settlement with King Abdullah.

(5) The Faluja garrison would be evacuated and the city taken over by the Israelis.

Mr. Elias Sasson, Israeli Foreign Office Arab Affairs expert, is due to leave here this week for Paris to open political talks with Arab representatives, presumably to pave the way for a final peace settlement with Arab League members.

The United Nations Palestine Conciliation Commission, which arrived in Amman today by air from Iraq, was to be received there by King Abdullah of Transjordan this evening.

The Commission is due to leave tomorrow for Syria.

It was learned from Damascus the future of Galilee area was expected to be one of two main items of discussion with the Syrian Government.

REPATRIATION OF P.O.W.S

General repatriation of Jewish and Arab prisoners of war between Israeli and Transjordan began at mid-day today with the return of 157 Arab prisoners to Transjordan, a Jerusalem cable said. About 4,000 Arabs and 650 Jews are to be repatriated in groups.

CONGRESS SCORES AT AHMEDABAD

Bags 62 Out Of 64 Seats In Municipal Elections

AHMEDABAD, Feb. 20 (API.) After three days' counting of votes, the result of the general election of the Ahmedabad Municipality was declared tonight.

The Congress secured 62 out of 64 seats in the municipality, the women eight Harijans, one Christian and twelve Muslims stood on Congress ticket for their respective reserved seats and were all elected.

One out of the 19 Socialists and one out of 48 Independents were elected. The Independent candidate who has been elected is Mr. Thakorebhai Thakore, President of the Ahmedabad Primary School Teachers' Association.

LI TSUNG-JEN FOR CANTON

NANKING, Feb. 20 (PTI-Reuter):—The Acting President of China General Li Tsung-Jen left for Canton, the present seat of the Chinese Cabinet, today, to try to persuade the Premier Ur. Sun Fo and his Ministers to return to Nanking as requested by the members of the Legislative Yuan.

KIRON SHANKAR ROY PASSES AWAY

Stalwart Of Congress Organisation In Bengal

CALCUTTA, Feb. 20 (UPI): Sjt. Kiron Shanker Roy, Home Minister of West Bengal expired this morning at 9-21 at his residence at 8, Theatre Road, Calcutta. He had been ailing for nearly two months.

CALCUTTA, Feb. 20 (UPI): Mr. Kiron Shankar Roy who had been suffering from intestine troubles since last December and was running temperature every day, was on the way to recovery under the treatment of Dr. B. C. Roy, Premier of West Bengal. Since yesterday his troubles took a turn for the worse and he collapsed this morning, leaving behind his only son, Shri Kalyanshankar Roy and 3 daughters.

Exactly, at 3 p.m. the dead body of Shri Kiran Shankar Roy was taken out in a procession. On its seven-mile route march to Keoratolla burning ghat the bier was first brought from the oficial residence of the Home Minister to his European Asylum, Lane House. Inmates of the House paid respect and the bier was then carried to the offices of the West Bengal Provincial Congress Committee at Dhurramtolla. Volunteers gave a guard of honour and floral wreaths were placed on the bier by Congress leaders.

The funeral procession was led by mounted police, followed by the A.D.C. to His Excellency the Governor, Ministers, Congress leaders Mr. H. S. Suhrawardy Mr. Abdur Rahman, Shri Iswardas Jalan, Speaker of the West Bengal Assembly and others.

LAST RITES

The last rites of Shri Kiron Shankar Roy were performed at Keoratolah at 6-30 p.m. according to Hindi rites. A guard of honour was presented by the Calcutta police who gave a salute by firing thrice. Wreaths were placed on the bier by the members of the Calcutta police and Congress and other political organisations.

Dr. B. C. Roy, Premier who reached Calcutta this afternoon from Delhi drove straight to the cremation ground.

The funeral procession was joined by thousands of people as it headed towards Bhowanipur.

GOVERNMENT COMMUNIQUE

A 'press communique' issued by the Government of West Bengal referring to the death of Mr. Roy says:

"Sri Roy decided to give up all material prospects of life in order to devote his whole life to the service to the nation. His was a life of sacrifice and service. In his death the Cabinet of the West Bengal Government have lost a precious collegue and the country a valuable guide and a ceaseless devoted workers. The Cabinet desire to extend their sincerest condolences to the bereaved family.

The flags over all Government buildings will be flown half-mast for three days, February 20, 21, and 22.

LIFE SKETCH

Mr. Roy was born in 1891 and was educated in Calcutta, Oxford and Lincoln's Inn. He joined the Congress in 1921 and was a member of the Bengal Provincial and All-India Congress Committee since 1922. He was secretary of the B.P.C.C. from 1925 to 1930 and became Secretary of the Swaraj Party in 1923. He became a member of the Bengal Legislative Assembly in 1923 and was leader of the Bengal Congress parliamentary party and opposition till 1947. After the achievent of India's independence Mr. Roy became leader of the Congress Party in the Eastern Pakistan Legislative Assembly and the Pakistan Constituent Assembly. He later resigned his membership of the Eastern Pakistan Assembly and also Pakistan Constituent Assembly and joined Dr. B. C. Roy's Cabinet in West Bengal on March 4, 1948.

Mr. Roy was a life-long follower of Deshbandhu Chittaranjan Das.

'BRAIN OF CONGRESS IN BENGAL' SAYS SARAT BOSE

Mourning the death of Shri Kiron Shankar Roy, Shri Sarat Chandra Bose says:—

"The death of Mr. Kiron Shankar Roy removes from the political arena one of the most prominent figures in Bengal Congress politics during the last two decades. He received his political initiation from Deshabandhu Chittaranjan Das and after the latter, and since then he identified himself more or less, with the right—wing of the Congress. In Congress organization work both inside and outside the legislature he had hardly any equal and for the last few years he was considered to be the brain of the Congress organization in Bengal.

MR. SUHRAWARDY'S TRIBUTE

Regretting the death of Mr. Roy Mr. H. S. Suhrawardy, last Premier of undivided Bengal says that the West Bengal Ministry has lost a stalwart whose eminent services in the cause of the Congress had earned for him an abiding place in the esteem of his countrymen the nation a leader the people and party a guide with an unerring instinct.

"JUST SOLUTION OF KASHMIR ISSUE"

Liaquatali Says India And Pakistan Must Fulfil Their Obligations

KARACHI, Feb. 20 (APP).—Mr. Liaquatali Khan, Prime Minister of Pakistan, in a foreign policy statement today said relations with India" is the key question in Pakistan's foreign affairs."

India and Pakistan "have got to go shoulder to shoulder with each other", he said, "and it is very important that our relations should improve."

Addressing the first session of the reorganised Pakistan Muslim League Council here, he said relations between the two countries had been bad "because of Kashmir. A just solution to Kashmir can be found if both the Indian and Pakistan Governments honestly adhere and fulfil their obligations, and we for our part, will always strive to strengthen and better our relations with India," he said.

TRIBESMEN IN FRONTIER

Mr. Liaquatali Khan said it was not his Government's policy to keep tribesmen of the North-West Frontier in the Dominion by force of arms. The Pakistan Army had been withdrawn from the tribal areas, although the British had kept at least 36 battalions there.

Mr. Liaquatali Khan pointed out that before Partition in August, 1947, Britain had given Pakistan only two months to form a Government. "If the British were thrown out of London and had to establish an administration in two months, I am sure they could not have done it," he said.

"We accepted their challenge and we succeeded."

B. C. ROY EXAMINES SAROJINI NAIDU

LUCKNOW, Feb. 20 (API).—Dr. B. C. Roy, Premier of West Bengal, en route to Calcutta from New Delhi, broke his journey at Lucknow for a few hours today.

Dr. Roy examined Mrs. Sarojini Naidu, Governor of U.P., at Government House and issued the following bulletin:

"I examined Srimati Sarojini Naidu today in consultation with Dr. Rajendra Prasad, Civil Surgeon, Lucknow, and found her very weak after her recent illness. Although she is in need of complete rest for some time further, we are allowing her to proceed to Allahabad to meet His Excellency the Governor-General of India, but have asked her not to accept any engagements there. We would, therefore, request all concerned to co-operate with us in ensuring complete rest to her at Allahabad."

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19 (PTI—Reuter)—Maj.-Gen. William H. Drapper, United States Under-Secretary of the Army, will resign on February 28, the White House announced tonight. In a letter to President Truman, Gen. Drapper said he wanted to return to private life.

KOLHAPUR TO MERGE WITH BOMBAY ON MARCH 1

Prajaparishad Dissolves Itself: States Servants To Be Absorbed In Provincial Departments, As Far As Possible

KOLHAPUR, Feb. 19 (API).—Kolhapur State will merge with Bombay Province on March 1, 1949.

Announcing this in a press note this evening the Administrator of Kolhapur expressed his high appreciation of the "splendid loyalty and great devotion to duty shown by all State servants in giving their unstinted cooperation to the administration."

The press not assured "the anxious State servants" that they would be absorbed in the various Provincial Departments as far as possible.

The Kolhapur Prajaparishad had dissolved itself in view of the impending merger of the State.

Announcing this at a largely attended public meeting in Bindu Chowk this evening, Mr. Madhavrao Bagal, founder-President of the Parishad said that the Working Committee of the Prajaparishad while taking this decision had advised its members to join the Shetkari Kamkari Paksh and work for the welfare of the poor peasants and labourers.

Speaking of himself Mr. Bagal said that he would not be member of any party but had pledged himself wholeheartedly to support the Shetkari Kamkari Paksh.

G. I. P. Union Executive's Meeting Cancelled

SEQUEL TO ARREST OF MOST OF THE OFFICIALS

Country-Wide Round-Up Of Communists Continues

BOMBAY, Sunday.

The meeting of the Central Executive Committee of the Communist-dominated G.I.P. Railwaymen's Union, which was scheduled to meet on Monday in Bombay to consider the question of serving a strike notice, has been cancelled as the most of the union officials have been taken into custody in the country-wide arrests of the Communist labour leaders.

The General Secretary of the G.I.P. Railwaymen's Union in a statement to the press condemns what he calls "the sudden and unwarranted attack on the Railway Trade Union movement" and protests against the country-wide arrests of labour leaders. He maintains that the railway workers have taken all the constitutional steps necessary under the Trade Union Act for conducting the strike ballot. He calls upon workers to go ahead with preparations for the strike which has been called for March 9.

Enquiries revealed that Mr. Bhimarao Shankar Jadhav, Secretary of the Byculla Branch of the G.I.P. Railwaymen's Union, Mr. Kanniah Mura, member of the Managing Committee of the V.T. Branch, and Mr. N. A. Parab, member of the Standing Committee of the Union, were among those who were arrested on Saturday by the Bombay Police.

FOUR HUNDRED ARRESTED

BOMBAY, Feb. 20 (API).—The countrywide drive against Communist strike-instigators and underground workers, which began on Saturday was continued today and a further 100 persons were taken into custody, bringing the total number of arrests in the various Provinces and States, where action was taken to about 400.

There was some slight trouble at the suburban stations of Bassein when Gangmen, numbering about 300 demonstrated in protest at the arrest of a Labour leader there, but after they were spoken to by police officers, they returned to work.

75 Arrested In West Bengal

More than 75 persons, said to be Communists, have been arrested and detained under the Public Safety Act in West Bengal.

These persons belong to the E.I. Railroad Workers' Union and have served strike notice contrary to the decision of the A.I.R.F.

A report from Ranaghat says that five persons said to be members of the Communist Party have so far been arrested recently under the West Bengal Security Act and detained.

A report from Nowgong, Assam, says that 12 persons of Lumding Railway station have been taken into custody and detained under the Public Safety Act yesterday for Communist activities.

One Yousuf of Hojai immediately after the release from Nowgong jail yesterday had been served with externment order from Assam Province for alleged subversive activities.

60 ARRESTED IN GUJARAT

SURAT, Feb. 20 (API).—About 60 Communist Railway workers have been arrested in Gujarat, including Surat City, according to the reports received here. Further it is learnt that the arrested persons were connected with the B.B. and C.I. Railwaymen's Union, which had given notice for strike.

Among the arrested one is an engine-driver from Ankleshwar.

AHMEDABAD: Eight railway workers, stated to be Communists, were arrested by the Railway Police here today under the Public Safety Act, bringing the last two days' total to 14.

18 ARRESTS IN MYSORE STATE

BANGALORE: The Mysore State Police have started the rounding-up of Communists.

According to latest information available here. 18 Communists have so far been roundup in the various parts of the State, 12 of whom in Mysore City alone, where the State Railway Workshops are located.

In Madras

MADRAS: Five more persons belonging to the Communist controlled South Indian Railway Labour Union were arrested by the police last night at Tambaram. So far nine persons have been arrested in the city since yesterday.

CALICUT: The Calicut town police today arrested two more Communist workers bringing the total so far to eight.

TRICHUR: The Shoranur police have rounded up 13 workers of the S.I. Railway stated to be Communists.

IN COIMBATORE

COIMBATORE: The Coimbatore police have arrested three Communists yesterday and today.

P.M.-G. ON SPECIAL DUTY FOR STRIKE

MADRAS, Feb. 19 (API).—Mr. T. G. Mukerji, Postmaster-General, Madras, has, it is learnt, been placed on special duty in connection with the threatened strike of the staff of the Post and Telegraphs Department.

Mr. Mukerji left for Delhi by air today on receipt of an urgent call after handing over charge to Mr. M. A. J. Vasnaik, Director of Telegraphs.

The provincial authorities of the Posts and Telegraphs Department have already drawn up a plan to meet the situation if the threatened strike materialises.

STATION MASTER ARRESTED

According to a Madura message, the Thirumangalam police arrested last night the Station Master of Sivarakkottai, on the Madura-Thirumangalam line. The Station Master was an active worker of the Railway Labour Union.

12 ARRESTED IN MADURA

MADURA: Five more employees of the South Indian Railway alleged to have been actively engaged in campaigning for the proposed general strike in the Railway under the direction of the Communist controlled South Indian Railway Labour Union were arrested by the Madura Police today. The total number of persons rounded up so far in Madura in this connection is 12.

IN ORISSA

CUTTACK.—Four Communists were arrested and certain incriminating papers were seized when the Police raided the Communist Party office and residence of prominent Communist workers in Cuttack.

20 Arrests In C. P.

NAGPUR, Feb. 20 (API).—Twenty Communist workers were arrested in yesterday's roundup in the Province, according to latest figures available here from official sources. Figures are yet to be received from three districts. All those arrested are stated to be active members of Railway Unions on the G.I.P. and the B.N.R. Searches were also conducted at many places of houses suspected to be centres of Communist activity and printing presses, where Communist literature was printed during last two weeks. And some literature and pamphlets were seized by the police.

IN U. P.

ALLAHABAD.—The roundup of Communist workers began here today. The total number of arrests so far made in the city is seven.

BANARAS.—With the arrest of two more Communists at Moghulsarai the total number of Communist arrests in Banaras district has reached 23.

BAREILLY.—Eleven persons suspected to be Communists were arrested here today. Several houses were searched and some documents and books were seized.

The arrested persons, who are being detained under the Public Safety Act included Muslim League workers and students.

INDORE SEARCHES AND ARREST

INDORE, Feb. 20 (API).—The Indore police yesterday carried out a raid of the residences of Mr. Suman Verma, General Secretary of the Indore Posts and Telegraphs Union, Indore, and Mr. Joshi, an office-bearer of the Indore Posts and Telegraphs Union. Some incriminating articles were reported to have been found and taken into custody by the police. Mr. Verma is reported to be absconding and Mr. Joshi, who was in his house was taken into custody.

It is learnt that the arrest was made under the public safety act and in view of the threatened strike by the Railway and Posts and Telegraphs Workers.

The round-up of Communists and sympathisers which was launched by the Police yesterday is continuing.

12 MORE ARRESTED IN HYDERABAD

HYDERABAD (Dn.), Feb. 20 (API).—Continuing their State-wide drive to round-up Communists the authorities in Hyderabad have taken into custody another 12 persons today, bringing the total number of arrests since yesterday to 35.

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Good Government. No Advocate could reply to Challa's 8 questions, as exhorted to do in April last in this paper. When offered facts none dared to challenge them giving Advocates one more opportunity and informing Government —Imperial and Provincial by post. (322)

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PUBLIC NOTICES

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THE BANK will be CLOSED on FRIDAY, the 25th February, 1949, that day being a Public Holiday (MAHASHIVRATRI) under the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881.

C. W. MIDDLETON,
Secretary & Treasurer.

Bombay, 16th February, 1949. (3429)

G.I.P. RAILWAY—TENDERS.

THE CONTROLLER of Stores invites tenders for the purchase of old and unserviceable stores available for disposal at the 'General' Stores Depot, Lower Parel. Forms obtainable from the Stores Head Office, Gipstore Lane, Lower Parel, Bombay-13, at Rs. 2- per copy, not refundable. Money order or cash only. Closing date 18-3-49. (3425)

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF COMMERCE
Office of the Chief Controller of Imports.
New Delhi, the 17th Feb. 49.

PUBLIC NOTICE NO. 749-CCI

Subject:—IMPORT OF SALT FROM ABROAD.

AS A RESULT of the review of the requirements, past imports and the existing stocks of salt in Calcutta and the areas to which salt is supplied from Calcutta it has been decided that licences for import of salt from all soft currency countries will be granted liberally within a total target limit of 160,000 tons during January-June 1949 on condition that:—

(I) the C.I.F. price of salt for Calcutta port does not exceed Rs. 215,- per hundred mds.,

(II) Licences issued only for the port of Calcutta and for shipments within three months from the date of issue; and

(III) the applicant produces necessary evidence to show that he has arranged for necessary tonnage for the shipment of salt within three months of the date of issue of licence.

The licences will specify whether they are for fine salt or Kurkutch salt and in the grant of licences, preference will be given to imports of fine salt.

Applications for import of salt should be made to the Import Trade Controller, Calcutta, alongwith quotations of price from shipper and evidence that shipping arrangements have been made.

G. R KAMAT,
Chief Controller of Imports.
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BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

THE B.E.S. & T. UNDERTAKING.

SEALED TENDER for the supply of Defractor Lanterns will be received by the Chief Storekeeper up to noon on Monday, the 28th February, 1949.

Tender forms can be obtained from the Chief Storekeeper, Electric House, Fort, Bombay 1, on personal application but will not be forwarded by post. (3430)

B. B. & C. I. RAILWAY.

TENDER NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS in ENGLISH are invited for "EXTENDING THE ABUTMENTS AND PROVIDING WING WALLS FOR BRIDGE No. 673 IN NADIAD YARD AT MILE 281 931".

The cost of the whole work is estimated to be about Rs. 20,000/-

(2) Tenders should reach the office of the Chief Engineer, B.B. and C. I. Railway, Churchgate, Bombay, not later than 11 hours on 7th March 1949 and they will be opened on the same day at 12.30 hours in the same office.

(3) Tender documents together with schedule of approximate quantities can be obtained from the Office of the Dy. Chief Engineer (Bridge) during office hours on payment of Rs. 5/- only which will not be refunded.

(4) Plans can be seen in the Office of the Dy. Chief Engineer (Bridge) B.B. & C.I. Railway during office hours and can be supplied if required on payment of Rs. 5/-.

(5) Tenders on specified forms only will be accepted and must be accompanied with complete contact documents.

H. R. EVELEIGH
Chief Engineer.
(3427)

G.I.P. RAILWAY TENDER NOTICE

THE GENERAL MANAGER, G.I.P. Railway, Bombay invites sealed tenders upto 3-00 P.M (S.T.) on 28-3-49 for earthwork and bridges etc., involved in the construction of New Down Main Line between Budni and Barkhera on Bhopal-Itarsi section.

(1) Between Chainages 24000 and 38500 and (ii) Between Chainages 40450 and 61600.

Forms of tender and schedules of quantities and conditions of contract for each of the above sections can be obtained from the office of the Chief Engineer, G.I.P. Rly., Bombay on payment of Rs.2/- per set.

Plans for the above works will be supplied on an additional payment of Rs 5/- per set in case of each section being made. These sums will not be refunded. 3386

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21.2.49. (3428)

BOMBAY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

APPLICATIONS are invited BEFORE 1-4-1949 from persons domiciled in the Province of Bombay and non-Muslim refugees from Pakistan for posts of CIVIL JUDGE (JUNIOR DIVISION), some of which are reserved for the latter. PAY SCALE: Rs. 700-650. AGE: Not less than 21 and not more than 35 years on 30-4-1949. QUALIFICATIONS LL.B., Barrister or Pleader or Advocate of a High Court in India, with AT LEAST three years' practice as Advocate or Pleader in a Civil Court on 30-4-49. Adequate knowledge of Marathi, Gujarati or Kannada essential. Application form supplied on receipt of a large addressed envelope with 3½ annas postage stamps and a CROSSED postal order for Re. 1/-, payable to the Secretary, Bombay Public Service Commission, Bombay, who will supply full details on request. (3426)

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Proprietors of INDIAN PATENT No. 32095, dated 20th Feb. 1945 for "REGENERATING SOLID PARTICLES", being desirous of exploiting the same in this country, are prepared to grant Licences for manufacture in India on reasonable terms. Full particulars may be had on application to—

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P. N. BANERJEA,
Director,
School of Foreign Languages,
Ministry of Defence,
'F' Block, Room No. 368,
NEW DELHI.
3351

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS are invited for the post of a Nursing Sister in the Willingdon Nursing Home in the grade of Rs. 150-10-200-15-260 plus usual allowances viz. 50 p.m. Dearness allowance, Rs. 50/- p.m. Messing allowance, Rs. 10/- p.m. City allowance and Rs. 15/- p.m. uniform and dhobi allowance. The applicants must state their age, experience and qualifications. Application together with copies of testimonials should reach the Superintendent, Willingdon Hospital, New Delhi by the 28th February, 1949.

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(Sd.) ... ...
for Superintendent,
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NOTICE

TENDERS ARE INVITED for the purchase of Waste (Hard) from The India United Mills Ltd., No. 4 Mill, and will be accepted upto 4 p.m. (S.T.) on Thursday the 24th February 1949, in their Registered Office. Tender copies can be obtained from Cotton Department, Indu House, Dougall Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay. 3411

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE.

THE CITY FEVER HOSPITAL at Arthur Road, Bombay, is provided with accommodation intended to meet the needs of this City only. Owing to congestion, it will not be possible to accommodate cases of Infectious Diseases such as Small-pox occurring outside the City, and it is regretted that they may have to be refused admission even on arrival. The Suburban Health authorities and Medical practitioners are advised not to direct cases of Small-pox to the City Fever Hospital, particularly in view of the danger of importation to and spread of the disease of the City.

B. K. PATEL,
Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay
(3433)

LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

O. P. No. 37 of 1949.

In the matter of the INDIAN COMPANIES ACT of 1913

and of

ASSOCIATED CO-OPERATION OF INDUSTRIES (Agencies) Ltd., M.S.N. NARAYANAN CHETTIAR.... .. ..Petitioner.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a petition under Section 162 of the Indian Companies Act, 1913, for the winding up of the Company was presented by M. S. N. Narayanan Chettiar on the 1st day of February 1949 and that the said petition is directed to be heard before the Judge sitting in Chambers on the 14th day of March, 1949. Any person desirous of supporting or opposing the making of an order as prayed in the petition should appear at the time of hearing by himself or by his Advocate; and a copy of the petition will be furnished to any person requiring the same by the undersigned on payment of the regulated charges for the same.

(Sd.) V.C. GOPALRATNAM,
&
V. K. PARTHASARTHI IYENGAR,
Advocates for Petitioner,
No. 54, Law Chambers, High Court, Madras.

Madras, 15th, Feb. 1949.

NOTE:—Any person, who intends to appear on the hearing of the said petition must serve on or send by post to the abovenamed notice of his intention so to do. The notice must state the name and address of the person or if a firm the name and address of the firm and must be signed by the person or firm or his or their advocate and must be served or if posted must be sent by post so as to reach the abovenamed not later than 4 o'clock in the afternoon of 12-3-1949. (3435)

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC IS HEREBY INFORMED that my client has agreed to purchase from Laxmikant Jethanand, The Proprietor of "MOTEN PRODUCTS", the confectionery Works, situated at 9, Arthur Road, Shree Radhakishen Lalwani Bhuvan, Bombay 11, as a going concern with good will and together with stock in trade. Any person who has got claim or interest of whatsoever nature with said "MOTEN PRODUCTS" is hereby called upon to notify the same to the undersigned within 3 days failing which my client will complete the said transaction and all the claims will be deemed to have been waived.

D. D. TANNA,
B.A.LL.B.,
Advocate, High Court.
Shreenth Bhuvan, 2nd floor, 27, Picket Cross Road, Bombay 2.
Advocate for the Purchaser.
3436

NOTICE.

THE TRADE and THE PUBLIC are hereby informed that Mr. NIDAMURTY RAMACHANDRA RAO is not connected nor has he any relations in anywise whatsoever with Messrs. Vitrum (Glass) Products which is now owned and carried on exclusively by our client Mr. Szymon Lifschuetz as Sole Proprietor thereof. All dealings will remain and will be carried on by our said client Szymon Lifschuetz for and on behalf of Messrs. Vitrum (Glass) Products. Bombay 26th January, 1949.

J. S. RATNAGUR & CO.
Solicitors for Messrs.
Vitrum Glass Products.
(3434)

AUCTION SALES

AUCTION SALE OF SHARES

M/s Gandhi & Co., will under instructions from M/s. Rustomji & Ginwala, Attorneys for M/s. Dayalji Girdhar and Shantilal Dayalji, the Pledgees and on a/c and at the risk of the Pledgor concerned, sell by Public Auction on THURSDAY 24-2-49 at 4 p.m. (S.T.) at their Rooms at No. 72, Medows St. Fort, Bombay.

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AUCTION SALES

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Under instructions from the Municipal Commissioner, Bombay, M/s. BENNETT & CO. will sell by Public Auction on (TODAY) MONDAY, 21st inst at 8-45 a.m. (S.T.) at the office of Arthur Crawford Market the right to collect and receive fees at Arthur Crawford Market for 1 year from 1-4-49 to 31-3-50, and right to collect and remove blood at Bandra Slaughter House for 3 years from 1-4-49 to 31-3-52.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to the Markets Superintendent or to the undersigned.

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Under instructions from M/s. Pateil and Ezekiel, attorneys for M/s. Shavakshaw Hormusji Shroff, Naoroji Nanabhoy Bharucha and Behramji Bhicaji Shroft and pursuant to Consent Order in High Courts appeal No. 40 of 1946. M/s. BENNETT & CO., will sell by Public Auction on WEDNESDAY 23-2-49 at 4 p.m. (S.T.) on site:—

LOT NO. 2.—Firstly—Foras land with dwelling houses at Elphinstone Road, about 6585 sq. yds. Street Nos. 967, 966, 975, 963, A & B 967 secondly—Foras land with dwelling houses at Elphinstone Road, about 1230 sq. yds. Street Nos. 967 A & B and bounded on East by a water passage and 1stly described property West by Tulsi Water Pipe, North by property of Kashinath Vithoba and South by a public passage.

ON MONDAY, 28-2-49 at 4 p.m. (S.T.) on site:

LOT NO. 3.—Leasehold land with chawls and stables at Gorupdeo Road, about 2500 sq. yds., Street Nos. 24 to 28 and bounded on East by property of Vinayak Bhaskar Sakalker, West by vacant land of B. D. Petit Trust settlement, North by a public Road and South by Maratha Plague Hospital.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to the above Solicitors or to the undersigned.

AUCTION SALE OF THE DOCUMENTS PERTAINING TO 12 CASES WOOLLEN BLAZER PIECE-GOODS IN ASSORTED COLOURS ABOUT 3725½ yds.

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Terms: 25 p.c. Cash Deposit and balance in 3 days.

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Under instructions from the B. B. & C. I. Railway and in accordance with the provisions of Sections 55 and 56 of the Indian Railway Act No. IX of 1890, MENESSE & CO., will sell by Public Auction on MONDAY, the 21st February 1949 at 2 p.m. (S.T.) at Carnac Bridge, Goods, Depot. Unclaimed Booked and unbooked packages.

AUCTION SALE OF 78 BALES DIGRAS JERILLA COTTON.

MENESSE & CO. will sell by public auction on Thursday the 24th February 1949 at 2-30 p.m. (S.T.) at Sewree Cotton Depot near (Water Tank) C. Godown No. 1 by order of the Insurance Office concerned the above mentioned cotton damaged.

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F.A.O. DIRECTOR GENERAL'S ASSURANCE AT DELHI RECEPTION

NEW DELHI, Feb. 19 (API).—"There is enough land in the world and enough equipment to produce plenty of food to meet the world's requirements", said Mr. Norris E. Dodd, Director-General of Food and Agriculture Organisation of the U.N. speaking at a party given in his honour by Prof. N. G. Ranga, M.C.A. and President of the Federation of the Rural Peoples Organisations.

TO HELP PRODUCE MORE

Mr. Dodd said that food was the only weapon which could fight war and unrest. The F.A.O. was not a political organisation but was a small body of experts and technicians whose assistance was available to member States for the production of more food. He thought there was plenty of food in this country which was being wasted or destroyed by weevils and he felt that such a wastage was a crime. There was enough land here to produce more food. He was here to help to achieve the objective of the F.A.O. —to produce more food.

The Deputy Prime Minister Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, the Food Minister Mr. Jairamdas Daulatram, Mr. K. C. Neogy, Commerce Minister, Mr. Satyanarain Sinha, Chief Whip of the Congress Party in the Assembly, high officials of the Government and members of Parliament attended the function.

The Food Minister Mr. Jairamdas paid a tribute to the services rendered by Mr. Dodd to humanity and hoped that the F.A.O. would shed its weaknesses and with its increasing strength would be able to serve humanity to a greater extent.

GIVE US THE TOOLS: RANGA'S PLEA

Prof. Ranga said that Indian masses had been cherishing great hopes of the UNO and the FAO but so far they had to grapple with their problems of Bengal famine and aftermath of the greatest halocaust and the maintenance of four hundred million people on 12 callories a day unaided by any of the great international organisations. He expressed India's gratitude to the Emergency Food Council for the food allotment but he deplored the failure of international leadership to stop international profiteering in food to achieve the International Wheat Agreement and to establish the World Food Board. He said that India was extremely anxious to become self-sufficient in food and it could be achieved only if the F.A.O. was able to persuade America and other countries to supply India with the necessary agricultural machinery iron and steel for implements, fertilisers and seeds. He felt that there could be no peace in the world unless the problem of food was satisfactorily solved and complained that Marshal Plan was not extended to the East where its need was the most while it was being thrust upon unwilling European countries.

ALIDHRA KISANS' SATYAGRAHA

(From Our Correspondent)

RAJKOT (By Mail): The leaven of political self determination, which has been introduced in Saurashtra on the evolution of the democratic regime has not left the erstwhile inarticulate peasantry unmoved, as the Alidhra's Kisans' determined Satyagraha in progress abundantly testifies.

Darbar Shree Amaravala Saheb of Alidhra who has accepted the Zamindar's status since the integration of his estate into the United State of Saurashtra insisted on the continuance of the land revenue assessment in Kerid. The Kisans reposing their implicit confidence in the Saurashtra Premier's assurances to them that the cash assessment would replace the outmoded "bhagbatai" system in 1949 resolutely refused to acquiesce meekly in the Darbar Saheb's behest in the scorn of consequence.

On February 10 the Deputy Collector of the Gondal Taluka, accompanied by the Darbar Saheb, the Police Foujdar and the Circle Inspector of Mendarda, and six police sepoys arrived at Alidhra and asked some forty Kisan leaders to divide the harvested crops between the Darbar Saheb and themselves, according to the statutory technique. Nothing daunted by the display of authority, the Kisans told the Deputy Collector to take over the threshing floor and to do what he chose. The Mamlatdar thereupon took charge of the threshing floor and directed the Kisans to state what percentage of the crops they would willingly part with. The Kisans continued adamant and told the Mamlatdar to divide the crops according to his own sweet will and to take charge of the share allotted to the Kisans, as they would like to surrender their shares of bajri and groundnuts to him rather than retracing their steps and showing their lack of faith in the Saurashtra Premier's assurances.

RURAL TEACHERS' TRAINING CAMP

(From Our Correspondent)

DAHANU: Government have decided to introduce compulsory primary education in all the villages of the province, where the population of the village exceeds 1,000. It was pointed out to the Government that this policy of their will not do any good at all to the Adiwasis who deserve to be educated as early as possible, since there are very few Adiwasi villages which have a population exceeding 1000. Government then appointed a committee under the chairmanship of Mr. D. N. Wandrekar, and the Committee has made a survey of the Adiwasi areas of Thana district and have chalked out a detailed scheme by which all Adivasi areas of this district can be brought under compulsion within a span of three years.

The Committee recommended that the teachers who would be selected to work in these areas will have to be given special training about the life and manners of the Adiwasis. They will also have to be proper outlook to serve the Adiwasi masses. In accordance with this recommendation, the first batch of primary teachers is being trained at Bordi, under the guidance of Acharya Bhise, Secretary Adiwasi Sewa Mandal. Forty selected teachers are staying under canvas undergoing a very rigid course of training. The class has been visited so far by prominent educationists as well as by other district leaders. Mr. D. N. Wandrekar—the author of the scheme, accompanied by another Parliamentary Secretary, Mr. Kunte, visited the class and addressed the trainees.

Mr. D. C. Pawate—the Director of Public Instruction, came down from Poona, last Friday, and visited this class. Mr. Pawate expressed his satisfaction at the work being done by the trainees. He addressed the teachers.

During his visit to Bordi Mr. Pawate visited a number of institutions, including the Graduates' Basic Training College, and was pleased to see young graduates working very enthusiastically in the carpentry and weaving classes. During his stay he contacted prominent educationists of Dahanu Taluka.

Prayag Mahila Vidyapitha

The next Convocation of the Prayag Mahila Vidyapith will be held on Tuesday, March 1, 1949 at 10 a.m. in the premises of the Prayag Mahila Vidyapitha College at 1 Elgin Road. Her Excellency Smt. Sarojini Naidu will deliver the Convocation address. All examinations of the Prayag Mahila Vidyapith will begin from 20th April 1949. The date had to be extended owing to numerous representations from examinees and the difficulty of holding examinations in recognised schools and colleges in the last week of March and in the beginning of April, as the examinations of the U.P. Intermediate Board begin from 21st March and end on 19th April.

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To-day

Hindu: Magh Vad 9, 2005.
Muslim: Rabi-ul-Akher 22, 1368.
Parsi: Shehrever 22, 1318.
Sunrise: 7-4 a.m Sunset: 6-42 p.m.
Hightide: 05-32, 20-04, Lowtide 00-12, 12-30.

MUNICIPAL CORPORATION: Meetings at 11-40 a.m. and 3-40 p.m. (S.T.)

To-day's Engagements

BOMBAY PRESIDENCY WOMEN'S COUNCIL: Annual conference open session, St. Xavier's School Hall 5 p.m. Rani Saheb of Phaltan will preside.

SOCIETY OF HONORARY PRESIDENCY MAGISTRATES: Tea to H. E. the Governor and Lady Maharaj Singh at Willingdon Sports Club today (Monday) at 5 p.m.

LABOUR COLLEGE: Mr. Asoka Mehta will begin a series of lectures on 'History of Socialist Thought' Podar College, 6-45 p.m.

BOMBAY PRESIDENCY WOMEN GRADUATES UNION: Lecture by Dr. J. S. Nerurkar, Wilson College, 5-30 p.m. on "A few of the worries of an Indian Household".

INDIAN PHARMACEUTICAL AND INDIAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY: Joint meeting at Department of Chemical Technology, Matunga, at 6 p.m. today (Monday) when Dr. Amin Tyabji will give talk on "Chemistry of Penicillin".

YOU: Jyotindre Dave will speak on "Love and Marriage at Youths' Own Union, Cama (Library) Hall 6-15 p.m. today (Monday).

SRI AUROBINDO CIRCLE: Darshan will be celebrated today (Monday) at 6 p.m. at Anand Vihar, Nair Hospital Compound, near Bombay Central.

F.S.U. PUBLIC MEETING: Mr. Ergin, First Secretary to Soviet Embassy, will give a talk on "Moscow—capital of the Soviet State" at Vanmali Hall, Dadar (B.B. and C.I. Rly) at 7 p.m. today.

HINDUSTANI TEACHERS' TRAINING COLLEGE: The Congress Rashtrabhasha Samiti of the B.P.C.C is starting a Hindustani Teachers Training College from 15th of March 1949 with a view to preparing candidates for the Hindustani Shikshak Sanad (Teacher's Diploma) Examination of the Government of Bombay, which is to be held in July. The duration of the course will be three months and the fees charged for the whole course Rs. 25. The last date for receiving the admission forms is March 10, 1949, at: Head Office, Congress Rashtrabhasha Samiti, Congress House.

RASHTRABHASHA EXAMINATIONS, The Secretary, Bombay Provincial Rashtrabhasha Prachar Sabha writes:— The All-India Rashtrabhasha Examinations, Prarambhik Pravesh, Parichaya, Kovid and Ratna, of Rashtrabhasha Prachar Samiti, Wardha, will be held on Sunday, (17th April). Application forms will be accepted at B. P. Rashtrabhasha Prachar Sabha's Office, near Fellowship School, Gowalia Tank, between 3 and 6 p.m. till today (Monday).

Radio

BOMBAY
MONDAY, Feb. 21.
244 Metres (1,231 kc/s)
31.41 Metres (9,550 kc/s)
7-30 a.m. Sonibai Mulgaonkar 7-40 Bheroo Palkhiwala 7-55 News (G) 8-0 News (E) 8-15 Laxmibai Jadhap 9-0 Close down
244 Metres (1,231 kc/s)
41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)
12-30 p.m Mishra Sangeet 12-50 News (G) 12-55 Behnon Ke Liye 1-25 Musical Interlude 1-30 News (E) 1-40 Lunch Hour Music 2-30 Close down.
244 Metres (1,231 kc/s)
31.41 Metres 9,550 kc/s) till 7-45 p.m.
5-0 Sonibai Mulgaonkar 5-10 K M Parulekar Kirtan 5-30 D M Kamat 41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s) from 8-0 p.m. 6-0 News (E) 6-10 Interlude and Programme Summary Sadashiv Gujar 6-30 Govindrao Veriekar 6-45 Sonibai Mulgankar 7-0 Topic of the Day 7-10 Local Announcements and Weather Report 7-15 B G Joshi Violin par Maru Bihag 7-30 Gunegar Manas Talk in Gujarati 7-45 Geetavali 8-0 B R Bhatt 8-15 News (G) 8-30 Laxmibai Jadhav 9-0 News (E) 9-15 D N Kahat 9-30 BBC News Relay 9-40 Anything Goes 9-45 Curent Events Talk in English 10-0 Western Music.
353 Metres (850 kc/s)
41.44 Metres (7,240 kc/s)
7-30 a.m. News (E) 7-40 News (M) 7-50 D M Kamat 8-15 News (H).
12-45 p.m. News (M) 12-50 Musical Interlude 1-25 News (H) 1-30 Orchestral Melodies 1-40 Gujarati Geet 2-0 Radio Forum 2-15 Mishra Sangeet.
335 Metres (850 kc/s)
41.44 Metres (7,240 kc/s) till 7-30 pm. 61.45 Metres (4,880 kc/s) from 7-45 pm.
6-0 p.m. D R Bhatt 6-10 News (H) 6-15 Calling Rural Listeners 7-15 News (E) 7-45 Commercial News 8-0 News (M) 8-15 Sadashiv Gujar 9-0 Govindrao Veriekar 9-15 News (H) 9-30 B G Joshi 10-0 Tufan Gujarati Drama by Barkat Virani 10-30 Laxmibai Jadhav.
BARODA
MONDAY, Feb. 21.
250 metres (1,200 kc/s)
7-20 p.m. Geet Manjari 7-50 News (G), 8-0 News (E) 8-15 Anil Mehta and Pravin Shah 6-0 p.m News (E) 6-10 Local Announcements and Weather Somprasad Vyas 6-45 Mayuri Majumdar Report 6-15 For Rural Listeners 6-45 dar 7-0 Ramanlal Thakore 7-15 Mayuri Majumdar 7-30 Somprasad Vyas 7-45 Topic of the Day 7-55 Musical Interlude 8-0 Anil Mehta and Pravin Shah 8-15 News (G) 8-30 Ramanlal Thakore 8-45 Rajputani Gujarati Feature by Gokulona Baichara 9-0 News (E) 9-15 Somvare Rajo' 9-30 'Shree Samarth Ramdas' Musical feature on the great Saint Poet Ramdas Script by Prabhakar Telang Music and production by R D Amsegaonkar.

Rajkot Bombay Air-Link

RAJKOT, Feb. 20 (API.) Rajkot will again be linked with Bombay by air from Tuesday, February 22, when Air Services of India starts daily services on Bombay-Rajkot-Morvi line, it is learnt here.

Air connection between Rajkot and Bombay had broken about a fortnight ago when Ambica Air Lines, which were operating the service, went into liquidation.

MATERNITY HOMES FOR TALUKA TOWNS

Reconstruction Minister Visits Some Thana Villages

Mr. L. M. Patil, Minister for Excise and Reconstruction, recently visited Khodala, Mokhada, Jawahar and Vada in the Thana District. In the course of his tour, he paid a visit to the Adiwasi Girls' Hostel at Mokhada and also laid the foundation stone of a maternity home building at Mokhada and Vada.

Speaking at Jawahar, the Minister paid a tribute to Pandit Nehru and Sardar Patel for their vision and statesmanship which had brought about a peaceful and orderly integration of the 600 States into the Indian Union.

The Excise Minister also reiterated the Government's determination to push ahead with its programme of prohibition undeterred by odds and obstacles.

On his way to Mokhada, the villagers of Khodala received the Excise Minister and requested him to lay the foundation stone of the temple which was proposed to be used as a reading room at their village. He told the audience, which consisted principally of agriculturists, that temples must transform themselves at the present time into abodes of learning. He also explained the prohibition programme of the Government and requested the people to give their whole-hearted support to its execution.

VISIT TO ADIVASI HOSTEL

He then proceeded to Mokhada, where he was received by Mr. V. V. Dandekar, M.L.C., President of the District Local Board, Thana and the Prant officer Mr. Save and other members of the Kasturba Maternity Home Committee. There the Minister visited the Adivasi Girls' Hostel which is being conducted by the Adivasi Seva Mandal.

APPEAL FOR SUPPORT

He then explained the importance of the Prohibition Programme and the Government's determination to carry it through to completion by 1950. He exhorted the villagers and the agriculturists to give their unstinted support in rooting out this evil. He also spoke about the new legislation in connection with Prohibition which provided deterrent punishment for drunkards and illicit distillers. He thanked the people for having given him this honour. Mr. Pandurangshet, Chairman of the Building Committee, announced at the meeting his intention to donate Rs. 501 towards the Mokhada Maternity Home. Mr. Shankar Gangaram Patil then thanked Mr. Patil and Mr. Dandekar, suitably.

Then the party left for Jawahar, where a public meeting was arranged and the President of the Municipality presented an address of welcome to the Reconstruction Minister. Mr. Patil was the first Minister of the Bombay Government to visit Jawahar after its merger with the Province and the people gave their unstinted support to the Union Government and the Government of Bombay in their Prohibition Programme.

He also declared the Jawahar Chamber of Commerce open and wished every success to that institution. He made a reference to the adroitness and tact with which Sjt. Vallabhbhai Patel had succeeded in bringing all the different States into the Indian Union. He also emphasised that India was a secular State where every Indian would be treated alike and everyone would have free scope for development and prosperity.

TRIBUTE TO LEADERS

Vada was the next place visited.

After laying the corner stone of the Maternity Home building at Vada and felicitating the people on their good work, Mr. Patil narrated the events since the attainment of freedom by India and paid a tribute to the statesmanship and political sagacity of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel in overcoming a great many obstacles in their path.

BOMBAY AUTOMOBILE EMPLOYEES' UNION

A pleasant function consisting of Elocution and Fancy Dress competitions were held under the auspices of the Bombay Automobile Employees' Union with Mr. Purushottam Thakar in the chair.

Four ladies, Mrs. Sulochanaben Modi, Mrs. Maniben Desai, Mrs. F. A. Irani and Mrs. Thrity Taliar Khan acted as umpires for both the competitions. Nine speakers competed on the following subjects: (1) If I were a Minister, (2) Mahatma Gandhi and Labour, and (3) My Dream.

The following were declared winners:

1. Mr. V. S. Prabhu of United Motors—"Mahatma Gandhi and Labour"—1st prize.

2. Mr. D. S. Dalal of Bombay Cycle and Motor Agency—"If I were a Minister"—2nd prize.

Then nine members took part in the Fancy Dress competition. They took as Sadhu, Street Beggar, Baloon Vendor, etc. The following were declared as winners:

1. Mr. L. C. A. Pinto of Ford Motors—"Baloon Vendor"—1st Prize.

2 Mr. A. Franklin of United Motors—"Sadhu"—2nd Prize.

Mr. Silam gave a short talk congratulating Mr. H. N. Trivedi, General Secretary of the Bombay Automobile Employees' Union, for organising successful function. The prizes were then distributed by Mr. Silam to the winners, and consolation prizes were given to all those who took part in both the competitions.

Joint Session Of Medicos' Conference

MADRAS, Feb. 20 (API.) It is announced that the joint sessions of the 18th L.I.M. Conference and All-India National Medical Conference will be held in Baroda on the March 20.

The conferences are specially convened to consider the report of the Committee on Indigenous Systems of Medicine (Chopra Committee report).

The Reception Committee of the 18th L.I.M. conference announce that the Hon. Mr. A. B. Shetty, Minister for Public Health, Madras, has consented to open the joint sessions of the Conference.

Don't Restrict Civil Liberties

PLEA AT PROVINCIAL CONFERENCE

BOMBAY, Sunday.

At the resumed session of the Bombay Provincial Civil Liberties Conference held today at the Blavatsky Lodge, Bombay, a resolution was passed urging Government not to restrict the civil liberty of the citizens by imposing bans on meetings and processions organised to ventilate public opinion.

Expressing the meeting's resentment against the failure of Government to protect legitimate trade union and political activities, it described the stifling of the expression of independent opinion as "unworthy of any democratic State."

It may be recalled that the conference at its last session in January came to an abrupt end due to opposition from the Communist members against a resolution which sought to demand the withdrawal of bans on political and cultural organisations.

At today's session also this particular resolution evoked much opposition from the Communists as they wanted to exclude communal organisations like the R.S.S. and Razakars from the scope of the resolution

The resolution was rejected, the Socialist members remaining Neutral.

Government were also urged to remove forthwith the bans imposed on a section of the press and demanded the refunding of securities taken from them.

The conference expressed its disapproval of the system of imposing collective fines on citizens as it involved punishment of the innocent people as well.

Prof. P. A. Wadia presided over the conference.

WEATHER

WEATHER SUMMARY

POONA, Feb. 20, (A.P.I.): Following is the daily weather summary for Sunday, Feb. 20, 1949:—

Weather has been dry over the country except for isolated very light showers in Assam. Day temperatures were above normal practically over the whole country and were markedly so in Saurashtra, Cutch, Gujarat and West Rajputana.

FORECAST VALID UNTIL EVENING OF 21ST:— A few showers are likely in Assam and in and near the Darjeeling Hills. No large change in night temperatures is expected.

WEATHER CHART

POONA, Feb. 20, (A.P.I.): The following is the daily weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours from Dec. 1, 1948 and departure from normal recorded at 08-00 hours (I.S.T.) on Feb. 20, 1949:

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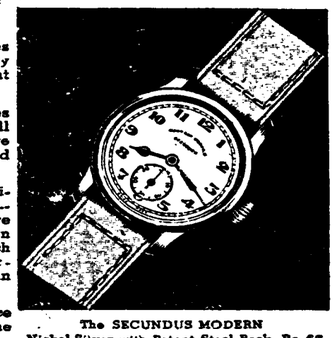

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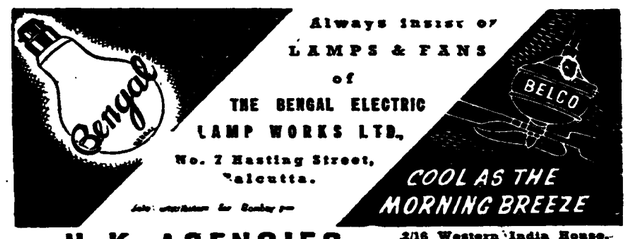

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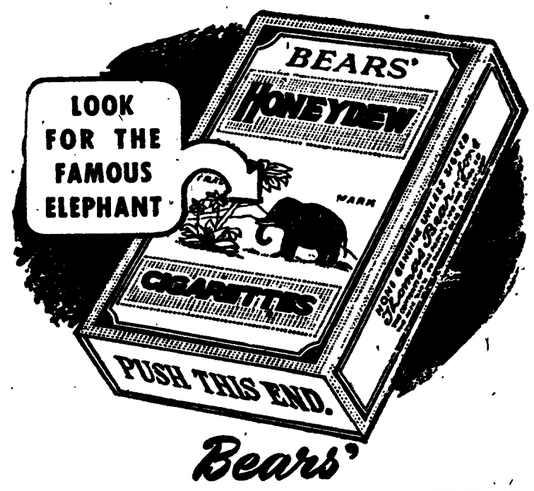

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—FONLENELLE

COMMUNAL FLUTTER

Master Tara Singh's defiance of the Government's request not to hold a political meeting of Sikhs in the National Capital is the most inexplicable act of one whose ways are always baffling. On receiving the Government's intimation that a meeting of Sikh politicians would not be possible in Delhi, Master Tara Singh accepted the position but maintained that he would hold a religious meeting in the Gurudwara at Delhi. He resorted to the childish device of instructing his following by telegram to disregard press reports and to march in jathas to Delhi. That the Government had not acted on the knowledge it had gained through these communications, was evidently taken to mean either incompetence or weakness. And the decision to detain Master Tara Singh and hold him out of Delhi, which was given effect to on Saturday night, has, it appears, taken the Sikh politicians by surprise. It cannot but impress the public with a sense of leniency, even misplaced trust, that the Government should have waited till the eleventh hour without any effort to check the Sikhs from pouring into Delhi. The political situation in the community is fairly sound and the commonsense of the leaders will assert itself. Only ten days back, the Maharaja of Patiala told a representative gathering of Sikh leaders that the Panthic Durbar which he had organised, was not proposing to enter into politics since communal politics is now ended. Master Tara Singh, however, has been persisting in a provocative campaign against personalities in the Indian Government and threatening frenziedly to follow the example of the Muslim League and carve out a Sikh State. Several Sikh leaders have denounced the fanatical outbursts of Master Tara Singh who has tried to play on the sectarian feelings of the Akalis by telling them that there is no Akali in the Ministry set up in the Patiala and East Punjab States Union. His utter disregard of constitutional ways of correcting these conditions has led him to unrestrained tirades, particularly against Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. There is also in Master Tara Sigh's mind a sense of frustration which, while it is to be regretted, may well be understood; he hopes to play in a restricted sphere, in the proposed Khalistan, the part which evades him in the larger context of a unit of the Indian Union; and the example of Pakistan next door as it were serves more as an example than a warning. Master Tara Singh has referred often and pathetically to the example of the Muslim League. But he forgets that there is difference: The League flourished in an atmosphere vitiated with communal hatred, on all sides. Today in the Sikh community, as in the larger Indian community, it is the communalists—we do not deny their presence; how could one with Master Tara Singh's own example before one?—who are finding it heavy going. The accent now is on nationalism. It is that which makes his attitude both futile and out of place.

Towards A Synthesis

The report of the Committee on the Indigenous Systems of Medicine appointed by the Government of India in January 1947 with Col. Sir R. N. Chopra as the Chairman is just published in two parts. The Committee had, as its members, representatives of the three systems of medicine—Allopathy, Ayurveda and Unani; and it was asked to consider the measures to be taken to increase the usefulness of the Indian Systems of Medicine. It is refreshing to note that the Committee's recommendations happen to be agreements on all the points by representatives of the three different systems. The term Indian Systems connotes Ayurveda (including Siddha) and Unani Tibbi. Between the two Ayurveda is the oldest and most truly indigenous medical science of India. The Committee has referred, in brief, to the fundamental principles, peculiarities and the sufficient features of its development in the past including the advancement made by it in the field of general surgery, gynaecology and obstetrics. It has, further, indicated how Ayurveda had influenced, in the ancient times, the systems of medicine in Egypt, Greece, Rome and Arabia and how it came to be the chief, though remote, source from which the mighty rever of Western Medicine had its beginnings. The Unani system was introduced in the country during the Muslim rule; and both Ayurveda and Unani continued side by side until their progress was arrested by the introduction of Western Medicine following the advent of British rule. The Western system has made rapid strides within a comparatively short period because to it alone was granted the privilege of recognition as a science of medicine in the official scheme of higher education. According to the Committee's findings, both Ayurveda and Unani are still ministering to 80 per cent of the needs of the people, particularly in rural areas. With the resurgence of the spirit of nationalism, their practitioners became conscious of the position of inferiority in which they found themselves relegated. The Government was asked to take steps for the reorganisation of both the systems. The recognition sought for them by the practitioners and public was in the form of legislation for registration and the establishment of training centres and hospitals. Some of the Provincial Governments and States responded favourably to the popular demand for the recognition of Indian Medicine, introduced registration and agreed to establish training centres and hospitals. The Committee has reviewed the recommendations made by the Committees of inquiry appointed by them and the steps taken by them towards the rehabilitation of Indian Medicine.

The Chopra Committee is the first of its kind which the Government of India has appointed with the object of tackling the question of Indian Medicine on a national footing, and we are glad to note that it has formulated a scheme which is comprehensive and which, marks a distinct advance upon other schemes by which the Provincial Governments and States have been guided. The rehabilitation of a system of science involves questions of education, research and applicability, and the Committee has dealt with all of them. On the whole, the Committee has taken a realistic view of the situation. In common with Ayurveda, the Unani system has acquired national character in spite of its foreign origin. Western Medicine too has planted itself deep in the soil of the country and has left all its resources and advancements for the benefit of the people. India is, thus, in a position to take advantage of all three systems. The Committee has approached all the three systems as facts of the 'Science of Medicine' and has not displayed preference for or prejudice against any of them. The officially approved system of medical education has, so far, proceeded without any serious attempt at planning it in relation to the actual requirements of the country. Consequently, the large bulk of the population has been denied the benefits of the competent treatment which is accessible to the people in the urban areas. It is gratifying to note that the Chopra Committee has taken into account the organisation of medical relief while making recommendations for the reorganisation and re-planning of medical education. In view of the static condition of the Indian systems and the consequent weaknesses and defects which are evident in them, the necessity of correcting their weak points by introducing in their study certain subjects from the Western system has been already realised; and mixed courses have been introduced in the training centres in some provinces. The Committee accepts this principle but in a different way. It is of the opinion that, while Indian Medicine can take much of practical value from Western Medicine, the latter can also learn much from the Indian systems. It has, therefore, recommended the introduction of integrated courses in both the types of institutions. The integration in this manner is a step towards the synthesis which the Committee has in view. The Committee observes, "it will be the best answer to another of our terms of reference which requires us to suggest the measures to be taken to increase the usefulness of the systems to the public as part of a comprehensive plan". The alternative to a synthesised system, from the Committee's viewpoint, will mean "a surreptitious or over-borrowing by one system from the other without fully understanding the implication of what is borrowed and without its integration into its own system". The Committee further refers to the practical side of the question when it contends, "the absence of a synthesis will, therefore, mean the permanent perpetuation of the present condition but in more aggravated form. There will be a number of systems working side by side in unpleasant rivalry and unhealthy competition. There will also be an insistent clamouring by each system for preference by the state in the form of financial help". The argument makes a fair case for reconciliation in some form between the different systems.

Synthesis runs as a central idea throughout the deliberations of the Committee. Its achievement will be a stupendous task and will depend upon the qualifications, abilities, integrity and outlook of the persons who will be in charge of teaching and research work. As regards education in Indian Medicine, the Committee has recommended a single integrated degree course of five years and the raising of the basic qualification for admission to the standard of the Intermediate with Physics, Chemistry and Biology, but as an interim arrangement it has also suggested a short course of three years. On the side of education in Western Medicine, it has proposed the establishment of Chair of Indian Medicine in every college as a first step towards integration. The Committee has made detailed suggestions as regards the equipment of the centres of training in Indian Medicine, qualifications of the staff and compilation of text-books. Research is the keynote of the progress of science; and the Committee has laid maximum emphasis on it in its approach to Indian Medicine. The scope of research defined by it is comprehensive. It includes among other subjects, dietetics, pharmacology, psychology and literature. Research will be conducted in specially established centres and also to a limited extent, in teaching institutions. For its control and direction, it has recommended the constitution of a Council of Research in Indian Medicine. The Committee has also discussed, at great length, the question of drugs and medicinal preparations to which the systems of Indian Medicine owe much of their popularity at present. So far there is no central policy for the control of the practice of Indian Medicine. The registration enforced in certain provinces varies in its conditions. The Committee has, for the purposes of education in and practice of medicine of the different systems, proposed the Constitution of a single statutory body to be designated as the National Medical Board and the co-ordination of the activities of the provincial and regional branches by the procedure of affiliation to it. Such a Board will consist of two autonomous sections—the Indian Medical Council and the Council of Indian Medicine. We wish the two sections had been differently designated in order to avoid confusion. The Council of Indian Medicine will be the Indian section of the Board. For the control of education and practice, the Committee recommends that registration should be compulsory for the practitioners of the Indian as well as the Western systems and that the register for the Indian practitioners should be separate at present. Registration for Indian Medicine will not be an easy task in view of the existence of a large bulk of non-institutionally qualified Vaidyas and Hakims. The Committee proposes to overcome this genuine difficulty by prescribing standing of a fixed number of years and a certificate to that effect from a first class magistrate as a condition for registration. If the protection of the public against the dangers of quackery is one of the objects of registration, it is likely to be defeated, as quacks may happen to be in practice for a long time and can fulfil the condition of standing and thus secure the privileges to which the registered practitioners may be entitled. We suggest that, in doubtful cases, some proof of the educational background and knowledge of medicine should be demanded in addition to the certificate of standing. The Committee has devoted serious thought to the organisation of medical relief on a country-wide basis. It has outlined a scheme for the disposition and equipment of dispensaries and hospitals in rural areas according to a graded scale with the village dispensary as the primary unit for the minimum population of 3,000 to 3,500. It has, further, suggested a special course of six months' training for Preventive and Curative Medicine for Government Health Service. The Committee's Report is significant of the fact that the Government is alive to the necessity of reorganising the country's resources of readjusting them to the conditions of modern life. We hope that the Government will soon take into consideration the recommendation especially with respect to education and medical relief which are immediate requirements of the country.

INDORE LABOUR STRIKE CONTINUES

GWALIOR, Feb. 19, (A.P.I.): A "communique" issued by the Madhya Bharat Government today on the labour strike at Indore says that labourers of some of the factories at Indore, including engineering workshops, welding workshops, oil mills etc., are on strike since February 12, owing to the factory owners' refusal to pay them wages according to the scales sanctioned by the Government.

After detailing the circumstances which led to the strike the "communique" says; the Government feel that at this critical time it is highly essential that the industrial production of the country should be maintained uninterrupted. This can be possible only with the mutual goodwill and co-operation of the Labour and capital. From this point of view the Minister for Industries and Labour called the factory owners and workers for consultation to find out at agreeable solution of the Problem" but unfortunately no successful results were achieved so far. The Government still consider that a permanent agreement is not possible without mutual goodwill.

The "communique" in conclusion says that both parties would try to find a practical solution to end this dispute. If they failed in this Government would be forced to take strong measures.

Raise Rs. 2,000-Crore Loan For Industrial Development

VISVESVARAYA'S PLEA AT A.I.M.O. CONFERENCE

Govt. May Nationalise Defence And Key Industries

BOMBAY, SUNDAY.—AN EIGHTPOINT PROGRAMME OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE COUNTRY WAS PUT FORWARD AS "OBVIOUS REMEDY FOR PRESENT-DAY EVILS" BY SIR M. VISVESVARAYA, NOTED INDUSTRIAL EXPERT, PRESIDING OVER THE NINTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE ALL-INDIA MANUFACTURERS' ORGANISATION, WHICH COMMENCED ITS TWO-DAY SESSION HERE THIS MORNING.

2,000-CRORE LOAN

Important among his proposals are the raising of a loan of Rs. 2,000 crores to provide capital for industries, a five-year plan of development in which a sum of Rs. 400 crores should be provided annually for investment in industries, increased technological education, collection and maintenance of statistical data regarding industries, and a nationalisation policy confining itself to defence industries and certain key industries like dyestuffs manufacture.

GOVERNOR'S ASSURANCE

The Conference was inaugurated by Raja Sir Maharaj Singh, Governor of Bombay, who assured the Manufacturers Organisation of the Bombay Government's solicitude for rapid and planned industrial and agricultural development in the Province.

The Conference passed two resolutions, one urging the removal of existing trade barriers between India and Pakistan and the other recommending the formation of provinces in India on geonomic lines "for the full development of the country's resources."

Sir Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya, in his speech, outlined the grave problems facing the country and said that the Government's attitude had been uncertain and based on certain ideological policies which were unsuited to the country's present economic needs. He added that among these policies the threat of nationalising certain industries after ten years was one which had done the greatest harm.

Referring to the problem of inflation, he observed that various difficulties were caused by abnormally high taxes, limiting of dividends, uncertainties regarding profit-sharing and minimum wage legislation, and indiscriminate relaxation of import trade control. He hoped that Government would suitably change these "abnormalities" in the present Budget Session of the Dominion Parliament.

GOVT. CRITICISED FOR LACK OF DEFINITE PLAN

Sir Mokshagundam criticised the Government for the absence of any "definite plan or programme." "Nearly ten months have elapsed since the Government announced their decision to set up a National Planning Comsion to formulate programmes of development and secure their execution. But nothing has been heard of since that statement was made. No budget grants are made regularly for annual equipment and there is very little encouragement vouchsafed for enterprise."

SUGGESTIONS FOR INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

Observing that industry was the largest need of the country today and it must be developed on modern lines, Sir M. Visvesvaraya made the following eight suggestions for industrial development:

(1) Collect and maintain statistitical information about both heavy and small-scale industries to measure progress and for comparison.

(2) Local manufacture of machine tools and machinery should be vigorously pursued by starting the necessary factories and workshops. Arrangements should be made also for local trainihg of experts. The most urgently needed machinery was automobile, aircraft, hydro-electric and mill machinery.

(3) Higher educational institutions to give instruction in technology and commerce should be started, like the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Boston, U.S.A. Elementary vocational training should be given to large numbers of the population in order to train small farmers, craftsmen, etc.

(4) Some 24 typical large-scale industries should be started in the country to the extent needed, by asking each Province and State to choose and establish within its territory two or three heavy industries within the next two or three years. Of these 24, India must specialise in a dozen selected industries which, in the present conditions of the country, are calculated to give the largest revenue or income.

FIVE YEAR PLAN

(5) A clear and concise five-year plan of development with the necessary financial provision should be prepared and sanctioned, if possible, province by province as well as for the country as a whole. A sum of Rs. 400 crores should be provided annually for investment industries of which Rs. 100 crores may be given by Government, Central or Provincial. A grant of Rs. 10 crores should be made available for investigations, planning and preparations from the current year's Budget.

RAISE LOAN AT HOME AND ABROAD

Capital for industries should be raised by intense effort, as in wartime, to obtain a loan of at least Rs. 1,000 crores within the country by paying a high rate of interest, if necessary, and a loan of another Rs. 1,000 crores from America which can be had at a reasonably moderate rate of interest.

(6) Industries classed as small-scale or rural should be developed in rural areas as described in the Village Group Industrialisation Scheme. If wisely applied and rationally operated the scheme would be helpful to step up production and promote the prospects of nearly 65 per cent of the country's total population.

(7) There must be proper co-ordination of industrial policies between the Centre and the Provinces and States. The Ministers at the Centre and those in the Provinces and States should meet regularly at least once in three months.

(8) Government may nationalise defence industries like armament machinery connected with the army, navy and air force. They may also nationalise key industries like dyestuffs which the public may be unwilling to finance.

Referring to "certain other problems giving cause for anxiety, Sir M. Visvesvaraya said that the chief of them were food, growing population and supply of defence machinery. He called for an effective "Grow More Food" campaign and the popularisation of birth control methods.

QUESTION OF DEFENCE MACHINERY

He said that the Defence machinery raised an important problem for India because mechanical engineering industries were not yet sufficiently developed. He suggested that the Military Department must appoint a Public Defence Advisory Committee of about a dozen patriotic citizens to study and advise Government regarding the strength of equipment to be maintained in every branch or department of military operations.

Sir M. Viswesvaraya stressed the urgent need to raise the standard of efficiency and morality of the people

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FRANKLY SPEAKING

No Difference.

If The Hague report is be believed the Dutch Government has, in "full agreement" with the Dutch High Commissioner in Indonesia Dr. Louis Reel, formulated a new policy on that country and its problem. It may be new but does it bring Dutch policy nearer the Security Council resolution? There is no official statement on it yet but enough has been reported to sugges that the new policy is intended more to frustrate the spirit of the resolution than to carry it out. The Republican leaders, it is said, will be released and given absolute freedom to travel or live wherever they wish, but may be barred temporarily wish Jogjakarta. That is a move to deny political and territorial status to the Republic, which the Security Council has recognised and on which in fact, its resolution is based. The Dutch Government remains as far apart from the Security Council as ever.

White White-Washing

"Non-Europeans today", said a Durban message dated Febuary 18, exercised a virtual boycott of the commission here investigating South African race riots." As a result of the rejection by the commission of Dr. Lowen's request to be allowed to cross examine witnesses, the South African Congress, the African National Congress, as also the Combined Locations Board, described as a "Statutory Body", have all jointly withdrawn from the inquiry. As we said before, it is an important and significant development that the two coloured peoples involved in the race riots against each other have decided to come together as victims of a common evil which was at the bottom of the whole trouble rather than stand facing each other as opponents as their common enemy desired and hoped for. That unity has been further cemented by the commission's action which has forced the joint withdrawal of all the non-Europeans. Both the people's have waked up to the real causes of the riots, the most important of which, and indeed the spring source of the tragedy, is the state of suppression and virtual slavery to which the coloured races are subjected by the Whites and in which they are sought by the Whites to be maintained. This we say, is a welcome development. And it augurs well for the future.

The Cloven Hoof

The Chairman of the Commission granting the coloured organisations the right to withdraw from the inquiry said conventionally that he "regretted this loss to the Commission", but added that he saw no reason to revise its decision. The reason was all there and the fact is, that it would have been a "loss", if not to the Commission, certainly to the White Government of South Africa and the White policy if witnesses had been cross-examined. Dr. Lowen had made out a convincing case for cross-examination when he gave a list of causes that he wanted to support and to prove. That case was strengthened when, applying for the right to withdraw, Dr. Lowen gave instance after instance of fundamental differences between the views and theories of the authorities and of White organisations on the one side and the coloured organisations on the other. How could the truth be brought out without cross-examination? And according to the case of the coloured that truth is that the riots and its tragedy were provoked by the White policy of segregation and directly by some White organisations with the Government failing to do its duty. We do note that on the very next day namely, February 19, there was a minor recrudescence of rioting with Africans attacking some Indian buses and individual Indians. But the virtual coincidence is significant. It further confirms the case of the coloured organisations in respect both of their views of the "root causes" and of Dr. Lowen's original request for the right of cross-examination.

Round-Up Of Communists

The countrywide arrests of Communists was to be expected. No administration, worth the name, can sit back and allow the country's economy to be paralysed by strikes and threats of strikes and the bulk of the workers intimated into illegal acts. Above the right to strike, of which so much is made these days, there is the fundamental right to work without being subjected to political and other pressures. There were several indications that the railwaymen's strike, in spite of Mr. Jai Prakash Narain's clear lead against it and in spite of Government's indication that strong action would be taken to check its effect, was to be precipitated by the Communist faction which refused to let the workers decide the issue. The Government had the option of waiting for trouble to manifest itself or forestalling it. Every sensible man will be glad that it has decided on prevention. It is in every sense better in the interests of the workers themselves to have a showdown before their minds are further disturbed by demonstrations and public defiance of authority in an organised way. No sympathy need be wasted on the Communists who have once again shown themselves well out of the main current of national life. The Government has gone to dangerous lengths in proving that Indian Nationalism is not out to penalise opinion. In meeting the challenge to authority and to public security which is contemplated by the Communists, it has done well in acting with foresight and it will have public support. It has been reported that the Government is also contemplating the banning of strikes in the railways and post services by special legislation. As it is, the Government has the necessary powers which it can apply at any time. It might be better to defer this particular legislation for the present.

Training Instructors

On Saturday, Mr. Jagjivan Ram Minister for Labour in the Government of India, inaugurated a technical training institute at Bilaspur in the C.P. which is meant to fill a great national need. The Central Institute at Koni is a school for training instructors for various technical and vocational institutions. In the first instance, the object is to meet the requirements of State institutions, whether run by the Centre or a Province or a State, but the intention is to extend facilities to private institutions as well. The training is free and comprises of two courses—one of six months and the other of eight weeks. The situation selected is central to the whole country and it will no doubt prove a great help to the technical training plans of the Government which need efficient and well-trained instructors. It is a basic institution which satisfies a need felt for many years and expressed strongly more than five years back.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

BELGRADE, Feb. 19.—Colonel Slobodan Benezic, Minister of the Interior in the Yugoslav Republic of Serbia, declared in a speech to parliament here that "agents of the Cominform" were becoming more active in Serbia. The Minister charged "some foreign representatives here" with misusing their diplomatic immunity by spreading illegal material and inciting Yugoslavs against their own country. Special agents, recruited mostly from criminals, were being sent over the frontier "specially from Hungary and Bulgaria", he said.—PTI—Reuter.

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Non-Europeans are reported to have exercised a virtual boycott of the Durban Commission investigating the recent race riots.

The Commission while rejecting the request to cross-examine witnesses "appreciated" Dr. Lowen's argument. This boycott is hardly a gesture of reciprocity, lacking completely as it does in "appreciation" of the Commissions fundamental principles.

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Major G. Bestford, District Commandant of Police in Durban, said in evidence that the outbreak of rioting came as a complete surprise to the police.

Which only proves that Major G. Bestford has no knowledge of his-er-own people.

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KARACHI, Feb. 19: Chaudhri Khaliquzzaman was today unanimously elected President of All Pakistan Muslim League. —A. P. P.

At last. We congratulate Chaudhry Khaliquzzaman on having "arrived."

Where and what for not yet known.

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They are having a world Muslim Congress in Karachi, and Professor Haleem of the Sind University, welcoming the delegates, said, "we in Pakistan know little about conditions in Libya, Tunisia, or Morocco."

They know little about much more.

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Shaikh Abdullah Gosben, representing the Grand Mufti of Jerusalem, said: "The cause of Palestine is the cause of all Muslims and by defending Palestine, Muslims will defend the whole of Islam."

Sure, sure. They certainly will. The "World Muslim Congress" meeting in Pakistan will unanimously pass a very strong resolution.

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Dr. Philip Jessup, the U. S. Ambassador-at-large has given the assurance that "the North Atlantic Pact does not bypass the United Nations. It is not a substitute for the United Nations. It will not weaken the United Nations."

What the signatories-to-be want the United States to assure is that the U.S. doesn't bypass the Atlantic Pact and that the Pact will not weaken them.

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The U. S. Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, says a Washington message, discussed the draft of the proposed North Atlantic Pact for three hours with the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, but no agreement was reached.

There you are.

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Britain, says a London message, has agreed to supply arms immediately to equip five infantry battalions of the Siamese Army.

Has Britain made sure that Captain Gamman's is not forced to object for reasons of obligations and responsibility to some insurgent section or the other?

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PARIS, Feb. 19: A French Magistrate today decided within two minutes that the Prince and Princess Aly Khan did not wish to be reconciled.—PTI—R.

Why did the French Magistrate take two minutes?

Australian Miners To Resume On Monday

CANBERRA, Feb. 19, (PTI-Reuter): Striking miners are expected to resume work on Monday at three New South Wales coal mines owned by the Broken Hill Company Proprietory Limited.

A settlement plan was agreed on Thursday and Union officials said they would recommend immediate resumption of work.

The men resumed work yesterday as only one of the pits, the miners at the other two rejecting the settlement talks.

OPEN AIR

A huge bird flew up from a field beside the railway line as our train passed. It had a black head, black back and wings, and white neck and underparts. Its long legs and stout, pointed, black beak at once proclaimed it to be a Stork, and its white neck left no doubt of the particular kind. It was the White-necked Stork. This bird likes open country, and will generally be seen in the vicinity of water, often in flooded paddy fields, where it stands motionless and alert as it waits for some small creature to come unsuspectingly within reach. When this happens, the Stork darts down the fierce beak with unerring aim and the victim is invariably caught before it has had time to realise that danger threatened it. Small fish, frogs, lizards and water-loving insects—in fact, almost every living creature which is found in water falls into the clutches of this hungry bird. The White-necked Stork, like the Heron and Egret, builds its nest in the topmost branches of some big tree. The nest is a large untidy cup, made of small sticks and twigs, and is often lined with grass and straw, or with feathers and soft down.

WHITE NECKED STORK

CEYLON FACES INNINGS DEFEAT IN FIRST TEST

Following On Lose Four 2nd Innings Wickets For 119 Runs: West Indies Create Three New Records

COLOMBO, Feb. 20, (A.P.I.): With six second innings wickets to fall, Ceylon require 221 runs to avoid an innings defeat in the First Test Match against the West Indies which ends here tomorrow.

On the second day of the match West Indies declared at their overnight score of 462 for two wickets. Ceylon in reply made 122 and, following on 340 runs behind had scored 119 for four wickets, in their second innings at the close of the play.

In the first innings, except for Wejeysinghe and Heyn who scored twenty-eight and twentytwo respectively, the Ceylon batsmen failed to cope with an accurate attack and wickets fell at regular intervals.

Jones, who took four for thirtynine and Trim with three for twenty-seven were the best West Indies bowlers.

Ceylon lost their first three second innings wickets for thirtyeight runs but then came a fourth wicket stand of eightyone which improved matters.

When stumps were drawn Rodrigue had made fiftynine not out.

West Indies declared at their overnight score of 462 for two wickets at the start of the second day of their Test Match against Ceylon here today.

THREE RECORDS BROKEN

The West Indies total compiled in one day broke three records in Ceylon. They were the score of 462 for two wickets, two double-century partnerships on one innings, and three individual centuries by the first four batsmen.

Ceylon opened their innings with Nagendra and Rodrigo against the bowling of Jones and Gomes. The batsmen were tied up at the start and the first half an hour's play had produced only ten runs.

When Goddard declared, Walcott had made 125 and had given a stylish display during a stay of 150 minutes. He hit ten fours. Weekes innings of 133 not out; which included 14 fours was elegant and masterly He was at the wicket for 145 minutes.

When he had scored only two, Nagendra was missed by Carew at second slip off Jones After he had bowled five overs in which he conceded only six runs, Jones made way for Trim, the first bowling change.

Batting was painfully slow, the batsmen contenting themselves by stealing singles and an hours play only brought twenty runs. Five runs later Ceylon lost Rodrigo when Trim shattered his wicket with the last ball of his fifth over.

The Ceylon Captain F. C De Saram joined Nagendra and at thirty Jones came on again in place of Trim while Goddard replaced Gomez at the other end.

Saram greeted Goddard by sending his second delivery to the leg side boundary and then again repeated the stroke off the fifth ball of the same over. The second wicket fell at 40 when Nagendra after scoring 17 in a 90 minutes dour batting snicked a rising ball from Jones into the hands of wicket-keeper Walcott.

Without addition to the total, Goddard struck another blow by clean bowling Saram with the last ball before lunch which was taken with the score at 40 for the loss of three wickets.

THREE WICKETS FALL AT 40

Prins and Coomaraswamy faced Jones and Goddard after lunch. Jones bowling at great pace was almost unplayable and he claimed his second victim when he had Prins caught at second slip by Ferguson. Thus three wickets—second, third and fourth—all fell with the score at forty.

Coomaraswamy and Gunasekara playing a defensive game took the score to fifty-one before the former was held smartly by Gomes off Jones. The score reached 64 before the sixth wicket fell. Then Goddard took a brilliant catch at short leg to dismiss Gunasekara. Jones was again the bowler, this being his fourth wicket.

Wijeyesinghe and Spittel stemed the rot to some extent. Wijeyesinghe in particular faced Jones boldly and he twice cracked him through the covers, one of the shots sailing all the way into the gallery stand.

The pair added 23 for the seventh wicket before Trim uprooted Wijeyesinghe's stumps. He was the only Ceylon batsman to stand up with some degree of confidence to the hostile deliveries of Jones. He scored a useful 28 including two fours. Heyn joined Spittel and opened his account with a sparkling cover-drive to the ropes. Slashing Gomez to the boundary the same batsmen sent up the 100 in 146 minutes.

Spittel drove Trim to the long-off boundary but before completing the same over Trim hit Spittel's stumps. This was Trim's third wicket, and the eighth wicket fell at 104.

HEYN'S FAST INNINGS ENDS

Ferguson was introduced for the first time at this stage and Heyn enlivened the proceedings by scoring faster than any previous batsman. His first five shots all crashed to the ropes. After a breezy knock of 22, including five fours, Heyn left at 119 when he edged a ball from Ferguson into the hands of Gomez at first slip.

The end was in sight and Goddard rounded off the innings by having Krester caught and bowled for three, and the innings ended at tea for 122.

Goddard enforced the follow on and Ceylon went in for a second time needing 340 to avoid an innings defeat.

Nagendra and Rodrigo again opened for Ceylon against the bowling of Jones and Gomes. The pair batted poorly at the start, and the first ten took twenty-five minutes. When he was five, Nagendra was caught by Weekes off Trim and only sixteen runs were on the Board. Ceylon's Captain, Saram, again failed dismally. After he had scored only one, he snicked a ball from Gomez to Ferguson fielding at first slip.

Ceylon depended on Saram and his departure was indeed a great loss. He has been one of the most consistent scorers in first class cricket in Ceylon, and his failure in both innings is unaccountable.

Wijeyesinghe was very uncomfortable against Trim who eventually had him caught at first slip by Gomez after he had scored ten. Ceylon then had three wickets down for 38.

Coomaraswamy came in to partner Rodrigo who seemed to shape with confidence. The pair offered stubborn resistance to the menacing attack presented by Trim and Jones.

Playing enterprising cricket, Coomaraswamy and Rodrigo sent up the fifty in eighty minutes.

Late-cutting Goddard who had come on for Gomes for three, Rodrigo reached his 50 in 110 minutes and the hundred of the innings were signalled at the same time.

The batsmen had so far added 62 runs for the fourth wicket, but at 113 Goddard eventually dislodged Coomaraswamy. He edged one into Walcott's hands who brought off a smart catch.

Coming in at a critical time, Coomaraswamy played a creditable innings for his 25. The stand realised 84 runs.

Gunasekera joined Rodrigo and weathered the period until the close of play with the score standing at 119 for four.

Rodrigo was unbeaten with 50 and Gunasekera not out 6.

Ceylon still require 221 with six wickets in tact to avoid an innings defeat.

SCORE-BOARD

WEST INDIES (1st Innings)
for 2 wkts. decl. 462

CEYLON (1st Innings)

S. Nagendra c Walcott b Jones	17
M. Rodrigo b Trim	14
F. C. Desaram b Goddard	9
V. G. Prins c Ferguson b Jones	0
S. Coomaraswamy c Gomes b Jones	6
C. Goonasekara c Goddard b Jones	11
R. S. Wijeyesinghe b Trim	28
M. Spittel b Trim	7
B. R. Heyn c Gomez b Ferguson	22
B. Navaratne (not out)	5
R. L. De Krester c and b Goddard	3
Extras	nil
Total	122

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—25; 2—40; 3—40; 4—40. 5—51; 6—64; 7—87; 8—104. 9—119; 10—122.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

Jones 12—3—39—4; Gomez 16—6—28—0. Trim 10—2—27—3; Goddard 7.1—1—23—2. Ferguson 2—0—5—1.

CEYLON (2nd Innings)

Nagendra c Weekes b Trim	5
Rodrigo (not out	50
Rodrigo c Ferguson b Trim	1
Saram c Ferguson o Gomez	1
Wijeyesinghe c Gomez b Trim	10
Coomaraswamy c Walcott b Goddard	35
Gunasekara (not out)	6
Extras	3
Total (for 4 wkts.)	119

In the Day's Sport

HOCKEY
Association Ground
6-10 p.m. B.E.S.T. vs. Catholic Gymkhana.
8-30 p.m. South India vs. M. & S. M. Rly. (Inter-Railway Replay of Finals).
St. Xavier's Ground, Parel.
4-10 Ordnance XI vs. B.B. and C.I. Rly. "C" (Figueredo Cup).
5-15 Bombay City vs. Liver S.C. (Lewis Cup).

TENNIS
Bombay Gymkhana Courts
6-30 p.m. Semi-finals of P.V.M. Women's Tournament.

BADMINTON
C.C.I. Court
6 p.m. Bombay City vs. Bombay Suburbs (Motiram Cup).

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CONTROLLED PRICES OF FIREWOOD

The Government of Bombay has issued an Order fixing the maximum prices of split firewood in Greater Bombay and the scheduled villages. The wholesale rate ex-depot for 15 Bengal Maunds and over of firewood of mixed species not exceeding in length of 3 feet and in girth 18 inches has been fixed at Rs. 44/- per ton and for the superior varieties of Babul, Kanjal, Jamba and Suru only Rs. 48/- per ton. The retail prices for mixed variety is Re. 0-13-0 per quarter and for the superior variety Rs. 0-14-0 per quarter delivery free at consumer's residence. The prices have come into force with effect from 19th February 1949 and the relevant Order has been published in the Bombay Government Gazette, Extra-Ordinary, Part, I, dated 18th February 1949.

HYDERABAD (Dn.) Feb 19 (API) —The committee which was set up by the Government of Hyderabad to inquire into the grievances of colliery labour in the Kothagudium and Tandur mines has decided to issue a comprehensive questionnaire to the management of the Collieres. March 4, 1949, has been fixed as the last date for receiving replies.

BOMBAY CITY'S 3-1 LEAD ON FIRST DAY

Motiram Cup Badminton

BOMBAY, Sunday.

The Motiram Cup Badminton tie between the Bombay City Badminton team and the Bombay Suburban team commenced this evening on the courts of the Cricket Club of India. At the end of the first day's play, Bombay City was leading by three matches to one.

Two singles and two doubles matches were on the day's programme.

Both the doubles teams of the Bombay City recorded victories. In the first one Dongre and Mangalwadekar, the Bombay University pair were fully extended before they could account for Tolly Fernandes and S. S. Nerurkar who were playing for the Suburbs team.

Having won the first set at 15-11, Dongre and Mangalvadhekar surrendered the next scoring only two points. With the scores even, they made no mistake in the decider, which they won with great ease.

The second doubles match between Shirke and Bhopardikar playing for the Bombay City, and Anant Ullal and Homi Talyarkhan of the Suburbs team provided numerous thrills and in an excellent match, the City pair emerged victorious beating their opponents 18-15 and 15-11 in the two sets.

Homi Talyarkhan easily accounted for M. S. Patil of the Suburbs team. The scores in the two sets played were 15-7, 15 8 in Homi's favour.

Anant Kalyanpur the Suburbs player, although showing excellent four in the first two sets—the second of which he won—failed miserably in the final set against P. S. Nilkanth and lost it at 15-3.

The remaining five matches will be played tomorrow (Monday.)

The following were the day's results:

H. K. Talyarkhan (Suburbs) beat M. S. Patil (City), 15-7 15-8, P.S. Nilkanth (City) beat A. G. Kalyanpur (Suburbs), 15-7, 4-15, 15-3; R. A. Dongre and M. G. Mangalvedhekar (City) beat Tolly Fernandes and S.S. Nerurkar (Suburbs), 18-11, 2-15, 15-9 G. P. Shirke aid M. K. Bhopardikar (City) heat A. V. Ullal and H. K. Talyarkhan (Suburbs), 18-15, 18-11.

JUPITER WINS BY TWO WICKETS

Inter-Insurance Cricket In Bombay

BOMBAY, Sunday.

The Jupiter General Insurance Company defeated the Bombay Mutual Insurance Company by 2 wickets in the Inter-Insurance Cricket Tournament.

Going in to bat first Bombay Mutual team were dismissed for 165 runs. S. K. Chavan and D. R. Thar being the chief scorers with 62 and 42 respectively. M. S. Kharwa and G. S. Shirkhande did most of the damage for the Jupiter side. While the former captured 5 wickets for 41 runs, the latter accounted for four batsmen at the cost of 48 runs.

The Jupiter Insurance Co. batsman hit up the required number of runs for the loss of eight of their batsmen. They had hit up 171 runs by that time, and R. D. Jukar was very unlucky in not getting a chance to complete his hundred. He was at the close 91 not out.

The following were the day's result: BOMBAY MUTUAL S.C. 165 (S. K. Chawan 62, D. R. Thar 42, M. S. Kharwa 5 for 41, G. S. Shirkhande 4 for 48).

JUPITER GENERAL S.C.: 171 for 8 wickets (R. D. Jukar 91 not out, R. S. Humane 3 for 34.)

Mrs. Limbrey Enters Semi-Final

P.V.M. WOMEN'S TENNIS

BOMBAY, Sunday.

The two remaining quarter-finals in the Women's Singles and one in the Women's Doubles were decided this afternoon in the P.V.M. Open Women's Tennis Tournament.

Decision in all the three matches was arrived at in straight set.

Mrs. Jameson, the holder of the title, by her victory over the steady Mrs. Bhavnani today, earned the right to meet Miss Merchant in the semi-final tomorrow.

In an interesting two-sets match, Mrs. Limbrey got the better of an extremely useful player in Mrs. Mudie.

Mrs. Limbrey now meets Mrs. Stewart in the other semi-final tomorrow.

The only other match played today —the women's doubles quarter-final— resulted in a straight-set victory for Mrs. Cuthbertson and Mrs. Barrett, who defeated Mrs. M. Bhavnani and Miss Khan very easily. Two games in each of the two-sets were all that the winners gave away.

The following were the day's results:—

Women's Singles

QUARTER-FINAL: Mrs. P. Limbrey beat Mrs. M. Mudie, 6-2, 6-3; Mrs. S. Jameson beat Mrs. M. Bhavnani, 6-2, 6-2.

Women's Doubles

QUARTER-FINAL: Mrs. R. Cuthbertson and Mrs. N. Barett beat Mrs. M. Bhavnani and Mrs. S. Khan, 6-2 6-2.

TODAY'S PROGRAMME

Court No. 7: At 4-30 p.m. Mrs. S. Jameson vs. Miss L. M. Merchant (Semi-nal), followed by Mrs. P. Limbreys vs. Mrs. B. Stewart (Semifinal) fcllowed by Mrs. P. Cuthberton and bertson and Mrs. N. Barrett beat Mrs. chant and Mrs. S. Jameson (semi-final).

GWALIOR, Feb. 19 (API)—The Marhya Bharat Government have appointed a committee to chalk out a scheme for framing constituencies for elections to the Indian Union Parliament and the Madhya Bharat Constituency Assembly. The committee has prepared and issued a memorandum and questionaire inviting suggestions by 31st March 1949 at the latest.

Shaikn's Century In Junior Times Shield

CENTRAL RATIONING PILE UP HUGE SCORE

BOMBAY, Sunday.

In the semi-finals of the Junior Division of the Times Shield Tournament, Central Office Sports Club were all out for 397 runs and when the stumps were drawn for the day their opponents the G. I. P. Rly. Sports Club from Victoria Terminus had lost two wickets with only 4 runs on the board.

Sheikh for the Central Rationing Office hit up 126 runs, which included 2 sixers and 16 hits to the boundary. A bright knock by K. V. Palwankar of the same team enabled him to score 79 runs. R. S. Adhikari was the most successful bowler for the G. I. P. side, capturing 6 wickets for 124 runs.

The match will be continued tomorrow.

The following are the scores:—

CENTRAL RATIONING OFFICE S. C.: 397 (I. M. Shaikh 126, K. V. Palwankar 79, R. S. Awhikari 6 for 115 runs.

G. I. P. RLY. S. C.: 4 for 2.

MERCHANT SCORES 96 RUNS

Fort Vijay C. C. Win In Purshottam Shield

BOMBAY, Sunday.

In the Purshottam Shield Cricket match played today the Fort Vijay Cricket Club beat the Sindhi Hindu Cricket Club by 115 runs.

Fort Vijay C. S. C. hit up 258 runs, of which 96 were contributed by Vijay Merchant, India's star batsman. Vijay had hit 14 fours during the course of his stay at the wickets.

Another consistent performer of the side Hansraj G Kapadia, once again gave a good account of himself by scoring 66 fast runs. Kapadia had hit one sixer and 9 fours. Girdhari, the well-known bowler captured 5 wickets for 81 runs.

When the Sindhi Hindu team went in to bat, they were dismissed for only 143 runs, out of which 50 were scored by Girdhari. His score included 5 hits to the boundary. K. M. Bhata was the most successful bowler for the Fort Vijay. He captured 34 runs.

Thus the Fort Vijay side won by 115 runds.

The following were the day's result:—

PORT VIJAY C. C.: 258 (Vijay Merchant 96, H. G. Kapadia 66. S. K. Girdhari 5 for 81).

SINDHI HINDU C. C.: 143 (Girdhari 50. K. M. Bhatia 5 for 24).

PROVINCIAL HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIP

Custom's Survive Another Round

BOMBAY, Sunday.

In the Bombay Provincial Hockey Championship this evening Customs A.C. beat Boys Own Club by two goals to nil Earlier Young Comrades "A" were beaten by Lusitanian's "B" by four goals to one.

Customs won the game but they made great efforts to score and were lucky winners. Johnny Pinto once again proved that he is the old time goal getter and scored the first goal for his side. Nasir scored the second before half time. In the second period there was no score but Boy's Own Club made two attempts to score and got the ball into goal but were long afterwards pulled up for off-side.

Young Comrades lost against the Lusis second outfit. Lusis scored twice in the opening half through J. Barcosa and A. Barretto. On resumption E. D'Souza scored but S. D'Souza reduced the margin, E. D'Souza completed his sides tally with a fourth goal.

EMPIRE BILLIARD CHAMPION IN INDIA

Will Meet M. M. Begg In First Match

CALCUTTA, Feb. 19 (API.) The thirtyeight-year-old British Empire Amateur Billiard Champion, Mr. Robert Marshall, who arrived in Calcutta yesterday, will begin his first match in India with Mr. M M. Begg at Lucknow, on February 21; it was announced here today.

According to his present programme Mr. Marshall will leave Calcutta for Lucknow by air on the morning of February 21 and later visit Cawnpore, Agra and Delhi, the tour being conducted by the U. P. Billiard Association. He will return to Calcutta on March 1 and strtt his week long exhibition matches in this city.

Mr. Marshall will leave for Madras by air on March 15th and after visiting Vizag, Waltair, Beswada, Mysore and Bangalore, he will arrive in Bombay on April 1st. During his ten day stay in Bombay, he will play with leading players as well as with local clubs in Bombay and Poona. He also intends to pay a visit to Hyderabad, returning to Calcutta on April fourteen.

Mr. Marshall won the South African Championship on Amateur Billiard in 1936 and the Empire Championship in Australia in 1938. He is visiting India for the first time at the invitation of the Billiard Association of India.

Mr. Marshall told A.P.I. that he had been receiving warmest greetings since his arrival here and he was looking forward to meet the best billiards of India soon.

NATAL BATSMEN FAIL BADLY

Dudley Nourse Scores 117 Against M.C.C

PEITERMARITZBURG, Feb. 19 (PTI-Reuter).:—

After promising to set up a mammoth score against the M.C.C. touring cricketers here today a Natal Eleven suffered a minor collapse and had lost nine wickets for 284 runs when stumps were draw.

At one time they had 286 on the board for the lose of only three wickets, the South African Captain Dudley Nourse having hit 117, in three and a quarter hours with thirteen fours and one five to register his third century in successive matches against the touring side.

INTER-RAILWAY HOCKEY FINAL DRAWN

Unimpressive Display By Both Teams

BOMBAY, Sunday.—South India and Madras and Southern Maratha Railway met in the final of the Inter-Railway tournament on the association ground this evening and a draw was the ultimate result both sides scoring once. Paris and Carr of S.I. gave a good account for their side, while Scanton played his part well for the M. & S. M. side.

South India were the first to take the offensive and kept it up for a considerable time, but M.S.M. settled down and gradually pushed their opponents back and nearly scored. Jannikaram, their centre forward scored, but was held up off side. Later, Muthuraj raced down the left flank and scooped into the left corner but Dawson, in S. I.'s goal saved confidently. M.S.M. were unlucky for a gift goal nearly came their when Paris and Dawson carelessly allowed the ball to go out of play, but instead it made straight for the upright.

In the seventeenth minute of play M. and S. M. gained the lead through D'Silva, their left half, when he netted off a rebound from the goalie's pads after he had stopped a hot corner shot from Newman. Ramsbottom had a chance of equalizing but he shot wide, then Cooper shot wide when running down the line. Half time M.S.M. were in the their lead of a single goal.

After the breather attempted to consolidate their position and Perumal had just the goalie to beat but he made sticks. Transferring play M.S.M.'s goal sustained some continuous attacks and a pass from Cooper went abegging when both Reay and Ramsbottom failed to tap the ball past the custodian.

A minute later S. I.'s goal had a narrow escape when Muthuraj running down the flank entered and scooped past the goalie and across the goalmouth, but the ball hit the upright and rebounded into play where Jannickaram lying handy shot but it was cleared by a defender.

At the end of the first quarter of the second half South India equalized through Ramsbottom, who shot first time to the topmost corner of the net. Three minutes later they were about to repeat their semi-final match performance but Garret in M.S.M.'s goal saved four times from every angle. Extra was played but proved of no avail. The final will be replayed tomorrow at 5-30 p.m.

The teams:

SOUTH INDIA RLY:—Dawson; P. Almeida, Paris; Marcary Henderson, N. Almeida; Cooper, Carr, Ramsbottom, Reay, Pavey.

M. & S. M. RLY:—Garrett; Blankley, Scanbon; G. Silva, Newman, A. Starr, Muthuraj, Perumal, Jannickaram, Thaugaraj, Jones.

BARNA BEATEN IN FINAL BY RAISMANN

U.S. Players Win Singles In English Table Tennis

LONDON, Feb. 19 (PTI-Reuter). Martin Reismann 19 year-old American number two, tonight won the English Open Men's Singles Table Tennis Championship at Wembley.

In the final he beat Victor Barna, the English International(21-19, 17-21, 20-22, 21-16, 21-16.

The Women's Sigules Title also went to the United States when Miss Peggy Mclean beat Miss Helen Elliot of Scotland 21-12, 21-16, 21-16, in the final.

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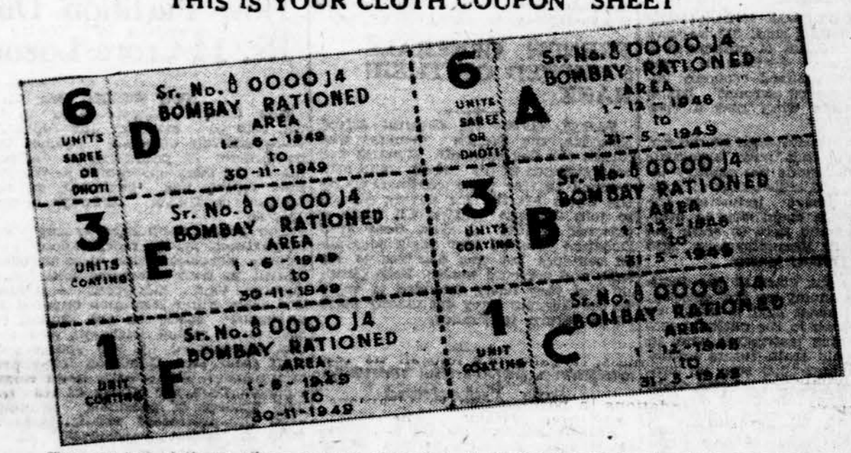
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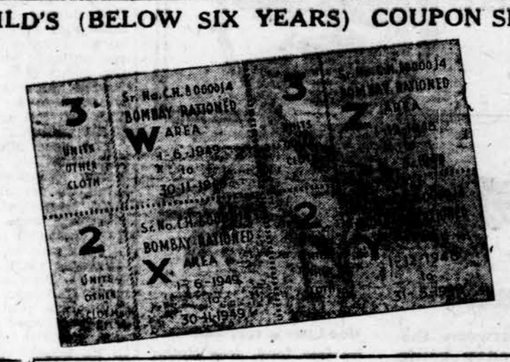
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ROLE OF COTTAGE INDUSTRIES IN PLANNED ECONOMY

Jagjiwan Ram's Plea For More Efficient Labour Leaders

BILASPUR, (C P), Feb. 19 (API): India's Labour Minister, Mr. Jagjivan Ram, inaugurated the Central Institute for training instructors at Koni near Bilaspur this morning.

Speaking on the occasion, Mr Jagjivan Ram appealed to labour leaders in industries to apply themselves more to the study of labour problems and to the increase of efficiency. The Labour Minister also pleaded for attention being given to medium-sized industries which, would be the outcome of reconciliation between heavy and cottage industries. This could be fulfilled if employers and employees co-operated in getting technical education

The welcome accorded to India's Labour Minister, Mr. Jagjivan Ram, who arrived here this morning to inaugurate the Central Institute of Training for Instructors, was marred by some demonstrators shouting anti-Government slogans.

The demonstration, it is understood, was a sequel to the arrest of three prominent Communist workers of the town in pursuance of the general round-up of Communists in progress in the provinces.

The Institute is the first of its kind to be established in the Indian Union. The main object of the scheme is to raise a pool of efficient instructors of requisite standard to meet the requirements of Central, Provincial and State Governments and even private institutions engaged in imparting technical and vocational training.

The training camp is situated on a 750-acre plot, the former colony of American army units in India during the war years which served as base hospital for the Allied armies fighting on the Assam Front. Training in this camp is free and in addition the trainees will get besides their pay free boarding and lodging.

NEED FOR COTTAGE INDUSTRIES

Mr. Jagjivan Ram said: "If we have to fulfil the demands of planned production, planned distribution and everything that planned economy implies, we can on no account ignore cottage industries. They play a vital role".

The Labour Minister said he did not share the view that only large-scale industries would guide the country toward progress and added that as complementary to heavy industries, the cottage industries could not be overlooked. They would help to solve the problem of both unemployment and shortage of technical labour.

Referring to the place of the Institute in the economy of the country, the Labour Minister said it would be an important limb in the national economy for training instructors who, in their turn, would train future craftsmen of India and thus step up production. Since partition of the country, he said, most of skilled workers in workshops in Northern India had left for Pakistan. Work in factories thus suffered for dearth of skilled labour. The problem of money could be solved by borowing from the International Bank. The problem of installing heavy machinery also could be met by aids from foreign countries but there was a class of labour between skilled and unskilled categories which could not be had from the aid of foreign countries. This class of labour had to be trained here. The Koni Institute was a step in this direction and he hoped that the paucity of technicians in the country would be overcome by making the maximum use of the Institute by the Central and Provincial Governments as well as by private industrialists

INDIA MUST STAND ON HER OWN LEGS

BILASPUR, Feb. 19. (UPA):—"India is today facing a paradox On one hand millions of her sons are employed, while on the other the country is suffering from lack of trained technicians. I trust that the Central Institute for training instructors which has been started here will help to solve the both problems" said Sri Jagjivan Ram, Labour Minister of the Government of India, inaugurating the Institute this morning at Kani, four miles from here.

Continuing the Labour Minister observed that want of capital or machinery was a problem which could be partly solved by taking help from foreign countries. Highly qualified technical personnel, such as engineers from abroad were also being utilised, but to get technicians at secondary or third stage, India must stand on her own legs. These technicians, he added, were the backbone of the scheme of industrialisation of the country and he was confident that the Central Institute and other training centres would provide the industry when the right type of industry with the right type of men.

Sri Jagjivan Ram also referred to the technical as well as vocational aspect of the Institute and said that it was essential that in any planned economy, large-scale industries should grow side by side with cottage industries and both should function complimentary to each other.

FRENCH GENERALS STRIPPED OF THEIR RANK

PARIS, (IPS): Lt. General Alfred Pascalde, the French General who fought the Germans off Dunkirk has been stripped of his rank and condemned to five years confinement by the Court Martial for having offered to join German Waffen SS while a prisoner in 1944. Lt. Gen. Rene Paul Dobelson received four years suspended sentence but was deprived of his rank and personal wealth. Both pleaded that they never intended to serve in the German army but merely wanted to return to France.

Bulgaria Sends "Criminals" Into Yugoslavia

BELGRADE, Feb. 19, (U.P.A.): General Sobodan Penzitch, Serbian Minister of Interior, charged today that Hungary and Bulgaria were sending "criminals into Yugoslavia".

In an angry attack on the two Cominform countries, he revealed that 20 Hungarian spies had been arrested by Yugoslav authorities. He said that in most cases they were "criminals who had been sentenced by Hungarian courts for crimes against the Hungarian Republic".

Implementing Educational Programme

Moulana Azad's Plea At Ministers' Conference

The importance of implementing the educational development programme as early as possible was stressed by Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, Minister for Education, Government of India, in his inaugural speech at the meeting of Provincial Education Ministers which began in the Council of State Chamber at New Delhi this afternoon.

Maulana Azad in his speech emphasised the necessity of making an early start with the educational development programme particularly the scheme for social education and the training of teachers required for the spread of basic education he stated that freedom had roused great expectations among the people but unfortunately the unprecedented problems, which came in the wake of the partition of the country and later on the financial difficulties which we faced in recent months, had held up progress in all spheres of national activity including education.

Regarding the scheme of social education, Maulana Azad said that the committee on social education appointed by the Central Advisory Board of Education had recommended that the education of adults should not only be confined to imparting literacy but should also give them training in the elements of citizenship. This is a task which could not wait and he hoped that all provinces would agree to make a start with the social education schemes during the next financial year.

MOVE TO FOUND GANDHI FELLOWSHIP

BOMBAY, Saturday (IPS) :— A move is being made to found a Gandhi fellowship for propagating the lofty ideals and philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi in India and abroad Suggestions about this have been made to Sjt Kaka Kalekar who is in Bombay at present. The idea is form an institute to train students on Gandhian studies and send them to foreign countries to lecture. It is viewed that in the present international context vis-a-vis the threat of another war, countries like America and Britain and also the continental countries will be receptive to the propagation of the ideals of peace, non-violence truth and human brotherhood for which Mahatma Gandhi lived, worked and died.

Collective Fine Sequel To Raid On School

ALLAHABAD, Feb. 19 (API): The Home Secretary to the Government of the United Provinces has passed an order imposing a collective fines of Rs. 4,000 on the inhabitants of Rasulpur and Samdabad. It may be recalled here that these two localities were involved in the incident which occurred on Tuesday last, when a raid was made on a local school by some miscreants

AIR COMMODORE RICHARD BOWEN JORDAN

LONDON, Feb. 20 (PTI-Reuter). Air Commodore Richard Bowen Jordan, former Royal Air Force Commander in India and Pakistan, has been appointed Commandant of the Royal Observer Corps, the Air Ministry announced here today.

PREPARATION OF DRAFT ELECTORAL ROLLS

Some Facts And Figures

A press note issued by the Director of publicity, West Bengal, Calcutta states:—

"The Government of West Bengal have recently noticed some comments in the press of the manner in which the draft electoral rolls have been prepared in Calcutta for the purposes of elections under the new Constitution. There has also been some discussion about the probable number of voters in Calcutta in relation to the total population of the city. As the enumeration of voters is now virtually in its closing stage, Government take this opportunity of presenting a few facts in their correct perspective.

The preparation of draft electoral rolls for the Calcutta Corporation area commenced in the first week of October, 1948. All possible arrangements were made for wide publicity in order to rounse the interest of the public. Thousands of leaflets in English, Bengali, Hindusthani and Urdu were widely distributed throughout the city and attractive posters were displayed in conspicuous places. Popular lectures explaining the implications of adult franchise were delivered from publicity vans in almost all the streets of Calcutta. Slides were shown in cinema houses. Enumerators and supervisory staff made personal approaches to citizens and invoked their help and co-operation in preparing a complete list of voters. People were informed about the commencement of the work in a Press Note published in all important newspapers and a complete list of ward offices and their locations was also published. This list was republished after some time to serve as a reminder. It is true that enumerators were asked to approach all eligible voters in house-to-house visits but it was well known all along that enumeration was in progress and Government expected that anybody in this big city who was not approached by mistake would in his own interest point out the omission to the officers concerned.

DOUBLE CHEATING

A large number of enumerators was employed so as to ensure that no one had work than he could efficiently manage in the short time at Government's disposal. Their remuneration was made dependent on the number of voters actually enrolled and this probably went to ensure that no eligible voter was omitted. House-to-house visits were arranged and in order to guard against any inhabited house being left out, in each street or lane the numbers appearing in the corporation list of premises were serially arranged and checked up against the numbers of premises actually found on the spot and enumerated. Discrepancies between the two lists were reconciled and the Corporation numbers not actually enumerated were locally investigated by the supervisory staff and satisfactory explanations obtained in every case, for instance, many Corporation numbers were found to represent vacant plots, gardens etc., with no human occupants, while many new premises were also enumerated and classified. Intensive field checking of the lists was made by the supervisory staff. While, generally, only percentage checking ranging from 75 to 100 percent was resorted to, cent per cent checking was made in many areas.

There is in this method a reasonable safeguard against omissions unless the persons omitted were not present at the time of visit or their names were not declared on their behalf by somebody then present at the house or else they subsequently arrived in the city.

Yet there are reasons to believe that the number of omissions, if any, must be very small and in such large-scale operations where the human element is involved, if the error remains within five per cent the results may be considered to be reasonably satisfactory. Vague allegations apart, every care was taken to investigate specific complaints and every care was taken to investigate specific complaints and every single specific instance of alleged omission, where pointed out in letters to the Press or in writing to officers, was carefully enquired into.

CALCUTTA'S POPULATION

An independent statistical test has also been applied to test the reliability of the total figure enumerated though, admittedly, there are severe limitations in this method. People have often made wild guesses about the total population of Calcutta. Some, for example, have placed the figure at 40 lakhs without being clear about the area this relates to. Enumeration in Calcutta has been confined to the Corporation wards of the city and, short of a fresh census, there is no absolutely reliable means of ascertaining the present total population of this area from which the figure of adult population can be extracted even on an assumed percentage basis.

The latest figure of enrolment in Calcutta is a little less than 13 lakhs, the difference being reasonably explained by the fact that not everyone in Calcutta who is 21 and above is eligible as a voter. Two important qualifications must be borne in mind. A man must be a citizen of India as defined in Article 5 of the Draft Constitution. He must also have resided in Calcutta for at least six months in the year ending March 31, 1948.

As the Constituent Assembly Secretariat has been pressing hard for the printing of the draft rolls, it has been decided to get the rolls finally ready by the end of February, 1949. Government would, however, like to emphasise that there are only draft preliminary rolls and nobody need have any anxiety if he finds himself accidently omitted. All affected will have a chance to file claims and objections at the time of statutory revision under the electoral law to be passed hereafter.

MADYABHARAT RAJ PRAMUKH IN DHAR

To Bring Back The Glory That Was Ind

INDORE, Feb. 18: "After achieving independence—which was mainly due to the efforts of revered Mahatma Gandhi and other worthy leaders, it was Hon'ble Sardar Patel's sagacity and statesmanship which made easy the task of the unification of more than five hundred States and resulted in further strengthing our country. If we all do our duty, keeping the welfare of the country uppermost, I have no doubt that not only Madhya Bharat but the whole country will reach the pinnacle of fame as it was in ancient times "observed His Highness the Maharaja Scindia, Raj Pramukh of Madhya Bharat Union, while replying to a welcome speech of Maharaja of Dhar last night in Bada Chowk at Dhar.

Continuing, His Highness the Raj Pramukh said "I have expressed several times and am glad to say that I consider myself a citizen of Free India and first servant of the people. I consider this honour position as an emblem of confidence and affection of the Madhya Bharat people, I heartily long for the welfare and progress of the people and am prepared to do every service to the Government and people for the achievement of this goal."

Proceeding further, His Highness the Raj Pramukh enumerated various schemes of industrial development, viz. Medical aid, Education Prohibition, Irrigation, Hydro-electricity, welfare of Harijans and Adivasis, communications, etc., which the Madhya Bharat Government have sanctioned or have under consideration.

His Highness the Maharaja of Dhar presented to the Raj Pramukh a purse containing over Rs. 34,000 for Mahatma Gandhi National Memorial Fund on behalf of the Dhar citizens

His Highness the Raj Pramukh also declared open the new building for Anjhera Municipality. On his way to Dhar His Highness the Raj Pramukh was extended a warm reception by public at memurous places.

"ONLY 6 ARRESTS IN JAMMU"

Exaggerated Reports Denied

SRINAGAR, Feb. 20 (UPI): In view of the fact that some highly exaggerated reports about the arrests made in Jammu have appeared in a section of the Press the Government wish to make it clear that the total number of arrests made is only six and no further arrests are being made.

No 'hartal' has been observed in the city, and no lathi-charge made, says a Press Note issued by the Jammu and Kashmir Government today.

The Government is receiving tremendous popular support in its action against these undesirable elements and there is not the slightest truth in these reports.

Ajmer & Greater Rajasthan

NEW DELHI, Feb. 19 (UPI): In spite of Government of India's decision not to include Ajmer-Merwara in the Greater Rajasthan Union, the Provincial Congress Committee of Rajputana have made a choice of Ajmer as the capital of the Union. The results of voting by secret ballot was 75 for Ajmer and 41 for Jaipur. This decision has been conveyed to the States Ministry, it is learnt.

It may be recalled that Sardar Patel himself conveyed the decision of the Government to the members of the P.C.C. that Ajmer could not be included in the Union at present and that the question would be considered afresh after the Union had come into being.

Why Soviet Left W.H.O.

MOSCOW, Feb. 19, (U.P.A.): Vice Minister of Health N. A. Vinogradov told the Soviet press today that the Soviet Union withdrew from the World Health Organisation because firstly, its work was unsatisfactory, and, secondly, because it maintains a superfluous big bureaucratic machine.

MADRAS SKIN SPECIALIST DEAD

MADRAS, Feb. 19, (A.P.I.): The death occurred here last night of Capt. S. Thambiah, the well-known skin specialist, and retired Professor of Medicine, Madras Medical College. He was 58.

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WORKING OF INDIAN RAILWAYS DURING 1947-48

How Partition Difficulties Were Met: Rs. 14-Crore Locomotive Works Project

NEW DELHI, Feb. 21.

How Indian Railways faced up to the task of meeting the country's transportation demands against the background of post-partition difficulties is the story spotlighted in the annual report, just published, on the working of Indian Railways during 1947-48.

The profound changes arising out of partition led to repercussions on railway working, which were unprecedented in their character and consequences. Vast movement of population from either Dominion imposed an enormous strain on the limited resources of Indian Railways, and this was accentuated by the opting of staff from each Dominion for service in the other. The country had not yet emerged from the effects of the war. The upsurge of consumer demands after the protracted war-time curtailment of civilian consumption, called for the maintenance at least, if not an increase, of industrial production and adequate transport to meet it. The success of the rationing system also depended on the ability of railways to move promptly and regularly large quantities of food to the areas of scarcity. That these important tasks had been accomplished by the railways without any serious dislocation of the country's economy, is the most striking feature of railway operation during 1947-48.

TOTAL EARNINGS

Taking all Indian Railways, including those in which the Government of India have no financial interest, the total earnings during the year 1947-48 amounted to Rs. 183.69 crores. Goods trafic receipts totalled Rs. 86.33 crores or 47 per cent and passpassenger earnings Rs. 72.25 crores or about 40 per cent. The balance is accounted for by parcels, luggage and other miscellaneous sources of revenue.

The total number of passengers carried during the year was 1,044 millions and every passenger was carried on an average 32.2 miles. The passenger mileage was 33.644 millions. On the goods side, 73.5 million tons were carried. As every ton was hauled on an average a distance of 278 miles The net ton mileage amounted to 20.398 millions.

The year under review saw the introduction of further measures towards simplification of the rating structure on Indian Railways. A revised classification of goods and now schedules were introduced with effect from January 1948, with the exception of four classes, all others were made telescopic class rates on continuous mileage over all the Indian Government Railways. The number of schedules was reduced to six standard schedules, and uneconomical transport avoided by requiring all traffic to be booked by the shortest routes. Certain alterations in rates were made, the most important being the enhancement of surcharge on coal to 30 per cent. On the commercial side another change of importance was the standardization of passenger fares.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

At the end of March 1948, the total capital at charge on all railways including lines under construction amounted to Rs. 741.40 crores of which Rs. 667.43 crores was capital at charge on Indian Government Railways inclusive of the premia paid on purchase of certain companies' lines The balance of Rs. 73.97 crores represented the capital raised by Indian States, companies, District Boards, etc. by far the greater portion of the capital on Indian Government-owned lines namely Rs. 6,65.31,41,000 is Government capital, only Rs. 21,11.44,000 being owned by Indian States etc.

INCREASED PURCHASES IN INDIA

During 1947-48, The Indian Government Railways including the Eastern Punjab and Assam Railways as from 15th August 1947 purchased stores valued at Rs. 81.59 crores The value of stores imported direct amounted to Rs. 2.67 crores, and imported stores of Indian manufacture or indigenous origin have thus accounted for the bulk of the expenditure, amounting to Rs. 74 crores or 90.7 per cent of the total against 84.0 per cent in the previous year.

NEW CONSTRUCTIONS

Two new constructors were sanctioned during the year, namely, Barawadih-Sarnadih section on the East Indian Railway and the Assam rail link project. The first of these is intended to open up new coalfields and provide additional rail facilities for movement of coal to the West, avoiding the already congested East Indian Railway main line. The second seeks to provide a direct rail route to Assam passing entirely through Indian territory Surveys of various other projects were also sanctioned aggregating to about 1,000 miles.

LOCOMOTIVE BUILDING WORKS

The construction of locomotive building works was proposed to be constructed at Mihijam 20 miles from Asonsol at an estimated cost of Rs. 14 crores. When completed the workshop will employ about 10,000 men on a single shift. Work on the project is in full swing. The target date of completion is 1950.

During the year Government decided to buy three more narrow gauge lines from respective companies namely The Matheran (hill) Light Railway (12.61 miles in length) with effect from 1st April 1948 Pachora Jamner Railway (34.62 miles in length) with effect from 1st April 1949 and Darjeeling Himalayan Railfay Extensions (94.44 miles in length) with effect from 20th October 1948.

The total number of employees (permanent and temporary) on all India Railways and in the office of the Railway Board and other offices subordinate there to, excluding staff employed on construction, at the end of the year 1947-48 was 823,712 as compared with 771,993 at the end of 1946-47. The cost of staff of class 1 railways alone rose from Rs. 52.02 crores to Rs. 63.36 crores—an increase of Rs. 11.34 crores. This increase was attributable to amalgamation of portions of the old B.A. Railway with the East Indian and Oudh Tirhut Railways, and the implementation of the Pay Commission's recommendations. These comparative figures exclude the number and cost of staff on the B.A. and N.W. for 1946-47 and the E. P. and Assam Railways for 1947-48.

The relations of the Government with the All-India Railwaymen's Federation continued to be cordial and there were no major strikes on the railways, although a few lightning strikes of short duration occurred. The number of man-days lost on account of strikes and disturbances approximated to 2.29 per cent of the total man-days worked during the year.

At the close of the year there were in all 647 grainshops. The number of ration card holders was 862,000 and the loss incurred in affording relief in kind to the staff was approximately Rs. 22.79 crores. This is equivalent to an average relief of about 22.4 per ration card holder per month, as against Rs. 16.6 during the previous year. Staff numbering 3,495 rendered surplus on Indian Railways were absorbed in alternative employment while 512 men were discharged.

The reorganisation of the publicity and public relation activities received special attention during the year. In January 1948, the Public Relations Branch under a Joint Director was created in the Railway Board's office and towards the end of the financial year, there were Public Relations Officer, at Calcutta, Bombay, Madras, Delhi Gorakhpur and Pandu.

The Complaints Organisation dealt with no less than 14,500 complaints on the railway administrations; of these 2,250 complaints were received and dealt with in the office of the Railway Board itself.

CALCUTTA, Feb. 20 (API.) Six German Roman Catholic missionaries of the Society of the Divine Word have arrived in Calcutta from Shanghai on their way to Rome.

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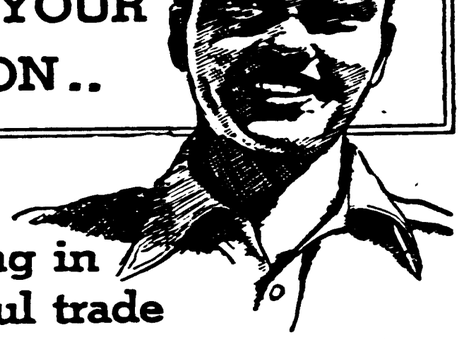

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"IMBIBE SPIRIT OF PROGRESSIVE NATIONALISM"

Maulana Azad's Call To Muslims At Aligarh Convocation

ALIGARH, Feb. 20. (U.P.I): "You are the citizens of a free India—a State which is determined to develop its political and social life on secular and democratic lines. The essence of a secular and democratic State is freedom of opportunity for the individual without regard to race, religion, caste or community. As members of such a State you have, therefore, the right—provided you have the necessary qualities of character and attainment—to expect all doors open to you, whether in the field of politics, trade, industry, service or the professions, observed Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Minister of Education Government of India, delivering his convocation address at Aligarh University this afternoon.

Maulana Azad said: "I want that I should speak to you frankly and without mental reservations and I am sure that this is what you expect of me If I thought that you are still living in that atmosphere of communal politics which was prevalent before the 15th of August, 1947, I would without hesitation say that your future does not hold that promise which, as an Indian Muslim, I would like you to have. I am glad that there has been a profound change since then and the signs of a new era are becoming clearer every day.

NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL PLAN

"I would like to describe to you briefly the Central Government's plan and programme of national education and the place which an institution like Aligarh will have in that new scheme. I think you will agree that the educational set up for a secular and democratic State must be secular. It should provide for all citizens of the State the same type of education without any distinction. It should have its own intellectual flavour and its own national character. It should have as its aim the ideal of human progress and prosperity The Indian Union has set before itself such a scheme of common education for all without distinction or discrimination in favour of any community or group

"At the same time, it recognises that there is scope for educational institutions which emphasise certain special types of learning. Their doors should, however, be open to all who are interested in such studies. This is the sphere of national education in which your institution can find its proper place in conformity with the spirit of the times. In this way, you will, inspite of your special characteristics be a part of the general scheme of education and serve a special function in it. For this you must, however display the widest catholicity of spirit.

"Study and research in Islamic learning and Islamic history have been part of your tradition. I must say that after the death of Sir Syed, it no longer displayed the vigour it had durduring days. Even after the university was established old hopes were not fulfilled. Your duty is to revive those old traditions and the create in your university an atmosphere of research and enquiry into all the spheres of knowledge.

WIDEN LITERARY FIELD

"I have already reminded you that Aligarh was the place where modern Urdu literature developed. This is an achievement of which your university can be rightly proud. It is your duty to cherish this heritage and further enrich it. I must, however, remind you that your literary efforts must have a wider field than in the past. You should take an equal interest in Hindi literature.

I desire that this institution should produce a large number of writers who are equally at home with Hindi and Urdu literature.

QUESTION OF SCRIPT

"The question of script is one of the controversial problems of today You know what the opinion of Gandhiji was in this respect His sincere desire was that every Indian should know both the Urdu and the Devnagri scripts. That is why he founded the Hindustani Prachar Sabha and made it an essential condition for its workers that they must know both the scripts. This has also been my opinion for years. I feel that this is the only solution which is possible in the present circumstances.

"I am glad to find that there is already a recognition of the importance of such work on all sides and that books have been written in Urdu which make it easy to learn Devnagri script and become familiar with Hindi literature.

"I will now conclude with a few words of advice to the young graduates who have taken their degrees today and are entering into the responsibilities of life. "You are the citizens of a free India—State which is determined to develop its political and social life on secular and democratic lines. The essence of a secular and democratic State is freedom of opportunity for the individual without regard to race religion, caste or community. As members of such a State you have therefore, the right—possibilities of life. "You are the citilues of character and attainment—to expect all doors open to you whether in the fields of politics, trade, industry, service or the professions.

You must, therefore, look forward in a free India to the utilisation of your talents in the manner best suited to the needs of the nation."

"I have no doubt in my mind that if you can imbibe this spirit of progressive nationalism which is the motto of our secular democratic State, there will be no position in any field of life that will be bevond your reach. I would, therefore, urge upon you to develop and strengthen your character and acquire knowledge that will fit you to play your your rightful part for the future progress and prosperity of the country."

"ULTIMATE DISCREDIT TO SIKH COMMUNITY"

Prominent Delhi Panth Leaders Condemn Tara Singh's Action

NEW DELHI, Feb. 20 (API)—In a statement, some prominent Sikh leaders of Delhi condemn the line of action advocated and pursued by Master Tara Singh and his supporters and say that this "action is fraught with great danger and is bound to lead to very grave consequences."

They add: "It will do no good to the Sikh Community as a whole, but on the contrary such a policy will ultimately weaken and prejudice the cause of Sikhs. There is no sense in kicking up a row with the national Government composed of some of the best patriots of India and headed by a first rate statesman and nationalist like Pandit Nehru."

"In the interest of the Panth, we appeal to the Sikhs of all shades of opinion to refrain from resorting to any course which may, in any way, tend to embarrass the Government at such a critical time, for such a course will ultimately bring discredit to the brave Sikh community. Let it not be said of the brave Khalsa that they obeyed the foreign Government for over a century like slaves but they so insurgently defied the Government which was truly their own.

"We hope the Sikh public will rise to the occasion and will not be exploited by a few sadists who take pleasure in the sufferings of innocent people. We fully support the Government for whatever measures it may take in the interest and safety of law and order."

The signatories to the statement are: Sardar Sant Singh, ex-M.L.A., Sardar Uttam Singh Duggal, ex-M.L.A., Sardar Ragbir Singh, Sardar Daljit Singh, Commander National Volunteer Corps, Sardar Santokh Singh Vidyarthi, Secretary, All-India Nationalists Sikh Party.

DELHI SITUATION 'NORMAL'

NEW DELHI, Feb. 20 (UPI).—While the local administration is maintaining a strict vigilance all over the city, the Sikhs who have gathered here from all parts of East Punjab and United Provinces are peacefully squatting here and there in small groups within the premises of Rakabganj Gurudwara, the venue of the Akali Dal Conference and the Diwan in connection with the Martyrdom Day celebrations. The situation now is described as normal.

All the assembled Akali Sikhs have been asked by their leaders to return to their places and accordingly they are leaving Delhi in small batches and groups.

The programme for March 2, the "Sikh Protest Day" includes observing of hartals, closing shops and business premises, taking nothing except grams and offering prayers in Gurdwaras.

It is understood that the ban imposed on public meetings and assembly of five or more persons under the orders of the District Magistrate would be renewed for two months more after it expires on Wednesday next.

THIRTY-ONE ARRESTS SO FAR

Thirty-one prominent Akalis had rounded up in New Delhi upto 8 p.m. today Some more arrests are likely to be made tonight.

CALL TO OBSERVE 'PROTEST DAY'

NEW DELHI, Feb. 20 (API).—The Working Committee and the Gen. Council of the Akali Dal held at Rikabganj Gurdwara in a resolution appealed to the Sikhs to observe Wednesday March 2 as 'Protest Day' against the arrest of Master Tara Singh, the President of the Dal and his colleagues.

BOMBAY SIKHS' HARTAL

The Bombay Sikhs meeting at Shree Guru Singh Sabha condemns the action of the Central Government of the arrest of the Veteran Sikh leader, Master Tara Singh and demands his immediate release. It calls for a Hartal today (Monday) in protest The meeting was presided over by S. Pratap Singh.

HARIJANS ENTER DWARKA TEMPLE

(From Our Correspondent).

DWARKA, Feb. 19.—A party of 16 Harijans arrived today from Lathi. Another party of 50 including some 35 Harijans, arrived by the same train from Ahmedabad. In both the parties the majority was of women and children. These people took their holy bath in Gomati and then had 'darshan' in Dwarkadhish and other temples. Coins were offered before 'Bhagwan' and 'dazina' was received by Brahmins. The Ahmedabad party consisted mostly of Marwadi Harijans and from their dress and appearance it was difficult to recognise them as Harijans.

News has been received in Harijan camp that one party from Viramgar and another from Jamnagar are on their way to Dwarka. It seems opposition is losing ground and people are getting used to Harijans' temple entry.

POSTAL STRIKE THREAT MUST BE MET

Mahabir Tyagi's Plea

NEW DELHI, Feb. 19 (API).—"The threat of strike by Posts and Telegraph employees must be met", says Mr. Mahabir Tyagi, a member of the Indian Parliament in a statement here today.

He adds, "I am afraid Government's policy of negotiating terms under threats of strike if persued further will land the country into absolute chaos and no amount of appeasement will satisfy the anti-social elements."

Raise 2,000-Crore Loan For Industrial Development

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by the spread of elementary education among the masses.

In conclusion, he reiterated that the prosperity of India lay in the widespread use of machinery and machine tools and called on the people to work unitedly in a spirit of self-improvement.

"ROME WAS NOT BUILT IN A DAY"

Inaugurating the Conference, Raja Maharaj Singh, Governor of Bombay stressed that the country must augment large-scale and small-scale industries. It was necessary, he observed, to harness more and more capital for industrial advancement. But at the same time, care should be taken that the use of machinery and other labour saving devices would not act to the detriment of labour by aggravating unemployment.

Referring to the various suggestions for industrial and economic advancement put forward by leading industrialists in the country, the Governor said that all that would take time. "Rome was not built in a day and the former Government had hardly started the construction or Rome" he remarked.

Assuring the Manufacturers' Organisation of the Bombay Government's anxiety for rapid and planned industrial and agricultural development in the Province, Raja Maharaj Singh outlined briefly the work being done by the Government in the direction. He said that the Bombay Government had already approached the Centre to enable it to undertake legislation to create an Industrial Credit Corporation and that a Pilot Plants Committee had been formed in the Province to advise Government on the assistance to be given to private individuals to set up plants and to suggest what suitable pilot plants could be undertaken by Government itself.

Mr. Esufally Mahomedally Chairman of the Reception Committee, earlier, welcoming His Excellency, President and delgates, said that this year's Conference had a special significance on account of the difficult economic problems facing the country. He hoped that the Central and Provincial Governments would give due attention to the recommendations made by the Conference.

RESOLUTIONS

The Conference at its afternoon session passed four resolutions making the following points:

1. Production is far from satisfactory and the reasons are lack of confidence in the Government on the part of the industrialists, defective taxation policy and labour unrest. The resolution called on the Central and Provincial Governments to revise their nationalisation policy and nationalize only defence manufacture industries.

The Conference emphasised the need for conducting a scientific survey of the resouces of the country. (Other recommendations on industrial policy were on the same lines as the views expressed by the Federation.)

2. To check inflation, Government must, among other things, stablise wage level.

3. The Conference urged on the Government to remove all existing trade barriers between India and Pakistan in view of the improved relations between the two Dominons.

4. The Conference recommended the creation of the Province of India on Geographic lines as it would offer vast scope for a balanced and full development of the country's resources in men, money and material and a healthy growth of united nationalism.

The Conference will meet again at the Sunderbhai Hall tomorrow.

AURANGABAD ARRESTS

HYDERABAD (Dn.), Feb. 20 (UPI).—Three Communist leaders have been arrested at Aurangabad and brought to Hyderabad under police escort.

"Kamgars" of different Unions took out a procession in the town today to demonstrate against the Government's action against Communist Labour leaders. The processionists carried the Communist flag and demanded the release of Communist leaders. When the procession reached the Civil Administrator's bungalow, the police seized the Communist flag from them and ordered the processionists to disperse which they did peacefully.

BIHAR ARRESTS

PATNA: In Province-wide round up of Communists 36 persons have so far been arrested unedr the Bihar Mainnance of Jubtic Order Act. These include some Railway employees also, who, it is stated, were trying to foment strike on certain sections of the E. I. Railway, B. N. Railway and O. T. Railway in Bihar.

Some prejudicial document were recovered from the possessions of some of the arrested persons.

The largest number of arrests were made at Katihar, Sonepur, Dhabad and Jamalpur.

FOUR MORE ARRESTED AT AHMEDABAD

AHMEDABAD, Feb. 20.

Four more Communists including Mrs. Dinkar Mehta, were arrested in Ahmedabad today, bringing the total number of arrests to 18.

TWO RELEASED

Two Communists, arrested yesterday at Anand, were released today on their giving an assurance of having resigned from the Communists Party and not taking part in Communist activities in future.

VESOUL, FRANCE, Feb. 20 (UPA.) Hospital officials announced today that three more persons had died of injuries received in the head-on train crash Friday night bringing the death toll to 43.

REBELS CAPTURE YAMENTHIN

RANGOON, Feb. 20 (PTI-Reuter).—A Government communique tonight said "Karen and Communist rebels" had attacked and entered Yamethin, an important town about 275 miles north of Rangoon on the Mandalay Railway.

Inside Insein town, Government troops reached a point 150 yards from the Karen stronghold of "Seminary Hill."

They advanced north from the Gyogoon Road Railway station, recaptured yesterday, and occupied a hill feature nearby.

Gunboats inflicted heavy casualties when they shelled a Karen-held village near Bassein, Irrawaddy Delta town west of Rangoon, the communique claims.

Bombay Postal Workers Denounce Strikes

BOMBAY, February 20. (A.P.I.): The Council of the Bombay circle branch of the Union of Posts and Telegraphs Workers, at a meeting held here today, passed a resolution declaring that "in the present critical circumstances of our country it will be unwise to launch a strike".

The Council also recommended to the Supreme Council of the U. P. T. W. which is meeting in Madras on February 23 and 24, to withdraw the strike notice served on the Director-General of Posts and Telegraphs on February 1 and keep the door open for negotiations with the Government and appoint a committee for the purpose.

INTER-SERVICES HOCKEY DRAWN

R.I.N. And Western Command Share 4 Goals

NEW DELHI, Feb. 20, (A.P.I.): In the final of the Inter-Services Tournament Western Command drew with Royal Indian Navy, each side scoring two goals. The match will be replayed tomorrow.

As neither side could score a goal within the scheduled time, an extra time of twenty minutes was given during which each side scored two goals.

The Western Command was on the offensive from the very start of the game and the Royal Indian Navy defended in an organised way. Bhatia goal keeper of the Royal Indian Navy faced many critical moments with a cool head, thus foiling numerous bold attempts by Western Command to score a goal.

The scoring began when Dalip Singh, right extreme of Western Command, got possession of the Ball and passed it over to Mohan Singh centre forward, who inspite of heavy opposition hit it right into the goal, the first of the match. in the fourth minute of the extra time.

The game became exciting when within the remaining sixteen minutes Miranda left wing or Royal Indian Navy, scored two goals and Ramchand of the Western Command added one more goal to his side.

Stop Press

CHINESE GOVT. TO BE RESHUFFLED.

NANKING, Feb. 20 (PTI-Reuter). A Chinese Government Cabinet reshuffle will follow the return of acting President Li Tsung-Jen to Nanking in the next day or two, if he fails to persuade Dr. Sun Fo, the Premier, to return to the capital from Canton, usually reliable sources said today.

Gen. Ho Ying Chin, a military Academy graduate with an influential military following and former Minister of National Defence, who had talks late yesterday afternoon here with President Li and General Pai Chong Hsi, is regarded as the likely successor of Premier Sun Fo.

FORTY-TWO DEAD IN FRENCH TRAIN COLLISION

PARIS, Feb. 20 (PTI-Reuter).—Forty-two people are known to have died from Friday's collision between the Metzdashdijon Express and a light engine at Gartment of Eastern France, several more victims were taken from the wreckage during the night, and three people died in the hospital from their injuries.

SANTA ANITA DERBY WINNER

ACADIA, California, Feb. 20 (PTI-Reuter).—'Old Rockport' a 33 to one outsider, scored an easy victory in the 141,800 dollars Santa Anita Derby run over one mile one furlong here. The time of one minute 50.2 seconds.

AT DAMASCUS

DAMASCUS, Feb. 20 (PTI-Reuter).—Police today dispersed Communists who demonstrated in protest at the Iraqi Legation here against the reported execution of Communists in Iraq last week. A larger demonstration against the Iraqi Consulate in Aleppo was also reported.

PARIS DEMONSTRATION

PARIS, Feb. 20 (PTI-Reuter).—Police detained about 20 people for questioning when they dispersed 300 young men and women members of a Left Wing organisation who marched along the main boulevards of Paris tonight chanting "Peace In Vietnam."

HUGE PARIS FIRE

PARIS, Feb. 20 (PTI-Reuter).—Paris firemen from six brigade fought an eight-hour battle with flames during the night before extinguishing a fire which broke out in Les Halles, the city's central market, covering more than 10 acres.

An inquiry has been opened to discover its cause.

JAIPRAKASH ON ARRESTS

PATNA, Feb. 20 (API).—Mr. Jaiprakash Narayan, President of the All-India Railwaymen's Federation, in a statement refers to a number of telegrams received by him informing him of the arrests of important office-bearers and prominent members of the Unions affiliated with the Federation. and says that "by this foolish action the Government is provoking Railwaymen to strike."

STAGNATION IN FORWARD COTTON MARKET

BOMBAY, Feb. 18.

The Patel Cotton Co., Ltd., has issued the following weekly report:—

FOREIGN MARKETS:—With the attention focussed on the commodity markets and more especially on the lack of confidence in the general price structure, the New York futures market often displayed a nervous tone on occasional liquidation and hedging. Trade demand prompted by optimism regarding the export outlook provided good support at lower levels, but some increase in profit-taking and hedges found support momentarily indifferent. In fact, the market showed signs of being easily influenced in either direction.

A substantial portion of the 4,500,000 bales in Government loan is reported to be consisting of grades and staples required by the trade. One would, therefore, be justified in expecting a further tightening in the supply situation before the late Spring months.

An Egyptian trade delegation is expected to arrive in India in March to conclude an agreement between India and Egypt for the exchange of commodities and also a commercial treaty. The principal commodities that are likely to be exchanged are Egyptian cotton and rice, on the one hand and Indian jute goods, cotton textiles, oil seeds and tobacco, on the other.

LOCAL MARKET.

BOMBAY: The Bombay forward market is dragging through a period of stagnation that seems unlikely to terminate until some new factor enters the picture. In view of the acute shortage of the raw material, the trade is now concentrating its attention more deeply on the Government's approach to the task of ensuring more supply of cotton to the textile industry in the puzzling conflict between Food and Cotton.

Despite complaints against lower ceilings and floors and also recommendations made by the Central Cotton Committee to raise the prices to an economic level with a view to encouraging cotton cultivation, Dr. Shyama Prasad Mookherjee, the Minister for Industry and Supply declared in the Dominion Parliament that the Government did not propose to make any readjustment. He promised to reconsider the matter before the next season started. But we may point out that, by that time, much of next season's crop will already have been planted.

With a view to ensuring adequate supplies of cotton, the Government of India have announced that licences for imports of foreign cottons, other than East African and Sudans stapling 7/8" and above from all Sterling area and soft currency countries, will henceforward be granted freely. The vital change that has been made in the granting of licences is that the stipulation that the imports of foreign cotton are to be made against prior sales to mills has been withdrawn. As regards imports from Pakistan, licences will be granted freely against proof of actual purchases. It is learnt that for the purpose of foreign cotton imports, Egypt will be included in what is described as "Sterling area and soft currency countries". It must, however, be noted that the Government may requisition such cotton from stockists at a price which the Textile Commissioner may fix as reasonable.

A trader or consignor, who, in the face of competition, works for a narrow margin of profit, is already running the risk of market fluctuations. That being so, insistence on the exercise of requisitioning powers would only discourage imports of foreign cotton for trade and consignment accounts.

DEMAND FOR BENGALS

There was a lull in the spot market earlier in the week, but export demand for Bengals became more active later, on reports of business having been concluded with France.

We have received from Karachi the following telegram dated 17th inst:—

"MBarket black and easier. With export licences exhausted buyers holding pending Government export policy for second half of the cotton year. Arrivals this week 38,000: Sales 7,500: Export 42,000 out of which 4,800 to Vladivostock, 8,500 to Liverpool, 16,000 to India and balance to Continent and Far East. Stock in Karachi 285,000. Unsold 60,000."

RAGI FORECAST

According to the Directorate of Economics and Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, the first forecast of Ragi for the Indian Union for 1948-49 is placed the area sown during 1948-49 at 20,67,000 acres as compared with the corresponding area of 21,94,000 acres in 1947-48 being a decrease of 5.8 per cent. The decrease has occurred mainly in Madras and has been attributed to delayed and insufficient rains at the time of sowing. In Bombay and Kolhapur State however, the acreage under Ragi shows a slight increase during the current year.

The forecast relates generally to the period up to the end of September or the beginning of October, 1948. Till then the condition of the crop was reported to be generally satisfactory.

GRAM SPECIALS FOR DEFICIT AREAS

NEW DELHI: Of the surpluses of gram declared by East Punjab and the Union of East Punjab States and Patiala, the Central Food Ministry have allocated 80,000 tons of Bombay, 35,000 tons to Saurashtra, 20,000 tons to Madras, 9,500 tons to Baroda and 7,000 tons to Cutch.

Special trains are being run to Bombay, Saurashtra and Mysore to enable these areas to receive their gram allotments in time. Quick transport has also been arranged for the movement of gram into other deficit areas. It is stated that of a total declared surplus of 2,30,000 tons of gram, about 40 per cent has already reached the deficit areas.

Shipping News

IMPORTS

BOMBAY, February 19.

From London: 70 cases harmless medicine, 914 ctns electric bulbs, 74 bales sanitary towels, 162 bags nicle towels 250 packages citric acid, 25 bundles cycle wheel rims, 2,200 drums lubricating oil 25 cases harmless drugs 50 cases chocolates, 266 bags ammoniam chloride, 42 cases cotton yarn, 200 bags barium carbonate, 37 drums liquid paint, 835 cases Wincarnis, 44 bales duplicating paper 154 cases medicinal preparation, 100 cases cement, 90 cases mercolized wax, 41 cases violet jelly, 47 cases duplicating machines, 332 ctns electric lamps, 1,501 ctns rayons yarn, 81 ctns artificial silk yarn, 189 bags starch, 200 reels washers sundries, 76 cases nail polish, 93 ctns coffee, 40 bundles cycle rims, 40 drums barium sulphate, 50 casks ultramarine blue, 82 cases tyre valve parts, 382 stacks light railway trucks, 62 bundles fish-plates, 100 drums soda sulphite powder, 33 ctns canned peas, 275 cases medicinal preparation, 66 cartons penicillin, 51 cases crystaline, 44 cases paint, 194 cases pharmaceuticals, 90 cases chalk, 82 drums Ostomalt, 39 cases oil engine parts, 60 cases Vauxhall Six saloons.

EXPORTS

GOODS ENTERED FOR EXPORT

s.s. BARJORA

To Colombo: 80 drums paint—Hardcastle Wand & Co., Ltd.

s.s. MARJORIA

To Karachi: 100 bags chillies—H. A. H. Adamji. 150 bags chillies and 50 bags tamarind—H. M. H. Abdul Raheman.

s.s. LEMSTERKERK

To Antwerp: 288 bales cotton raw—Bombay Cotton Export Import Co.

s.s. KHOSROU

To Aden: 16 bales linseed oil—National Paint Industrial Work.

To Jeddah: 50 drums groundnut oil—C. Ujamshidrai. 110 bags dry ginger and 20 baskets tamarind—G. Rasul & Co.

s.s. CITY OF WORCESTOR

To Liverpool: 33 bales raw wool—H. A. Panji. 125 bales cotton—Volkart Bros.

s.s. MARTIN CARL

To Karachi: 100 bags dry chillies and 100 bags turmeric—H. A. H. H. Adamji. 75 bags dry chillies and 150 bags dry chillies H. M. H. A. Raheman.

s.s. TURKS HEAD

To Singapore: 60 barrels linseed oil—National Paint and Industrial Works.

To Penang: 43 barrels linseed oil—National Paint and Industrial Work.

s.s. BARJORA

To Karachi: 100 bags turmeric and 25 bags dry ginger—A. G. Husein. 150 bags dry chillies—H. A. H. Adamji. 150 bags dry chillies—H. M. H. Abdul Raheman.

s.s. DWARK

To Busrah: 615 bags tamarind—H. A. Bassam.

s.s. JALA MOTI

To London: 25 cases bristles—B. P. and Hellsy. 6 cases bristles—The Mercantile Commercial Co. 8 cases bristles—Peero & Sons.

Arrivals And Departures Of Steamers

ARRIVALS

s.s. RATNAGIRI arrived from Vengurla on February 19 with 752 passengers (Scindia).

DWARKA arrived from Busiah on February 19 with 956 tons of cargo and 371 passengers (M.M.).

CITY OF CALCUTTA arrived from Philadelphia on February 18 with 7,425 tons of general cargo (Forbes).

DEPARTURES

CILICIA sailed for Liverpool on February 18 with 1,625 tons of general cargo.

JAYBRAHMA sailed for Cochin on February 18 with general cargo.

CITY OF LEEDS sailed for Calcutta on February 18 with 3,639 tons of Cargo.

NEW YORK COTTON NARROW

NEW YORK, Feb. 19 (UPA.) Cotton futures today held to the price pattern of narrow changes in quiet dealings until near the close when grains extended to as much as 25 cents per bale. The ate rise was attributed to short covering and the anticipation of further export sales to Japan plus the report that exports to China would be resumed immediately E.C.A. announced that the majority of 87,600 bales for China would be released for shipment—perhaps as much as two-thirds. The fact that "excessive stocks" have been reduced in Shanghai was given as the reason.

The market closed one to 17 higher. The nearbys were subjected to early pressure from hedging and commission house liquidation Shelling was absorbed by routine trade demand with the New Orleans interest buying in the May and July deliveries. Export business which has been "fi" a slump laterly received an impetus with the report that Japan has bought 50,000 bales in the past week or 10 days. Many quarters are expecting Japan to buy another 50,000 bales iwthin a week. The market closed 25 to 39 points higher than last Saturday's close.

Closing prices included:

DELIVERY	HIGH	LOW	CLOSE
MARCH	32.30	32.20	32.26-.30
May	32.22	31.98	32.19-.22
July	31.04	30.81	31.04-.04
Omtober	28.34	28.17	28.32
NEW ORLEANS			
March	32.18	32.06	32.16-.18
May	32.18	31.94	32.18

The volume of business on the stock exchange was 250,000.

The highest and lowest U. S. steel trading prices were 71-3/8 and 71-3/8 respectively correct.

STOCKS LOWER

NEW YORK, Feb. 19 (UPA). Prices were lower on the New York Stock Exchange today in one of the slowest Saturday session since October 9.

Friday's decline continued as Street attempted to estimate the possibility of the 1949 tax boost. Until Truman repeated his insistence on a dol. 4,000,000,000 tax increase, the market has risen steadily through the first four days of the week adding about dol. 1,000,000,000 to the market valuation.

Some Street quarters continued to feel that the tax increase could not pass Congress this year.

There was virtually nothing in the news to influence the market. Virginia Carolina Chemical dropped over a point reflecting an unfavourable earnings statement. Small gains were noted in Goodyear, Northern Pacific and Johnsmanville.

Stock sales amounted to 250,000 shares. Curb sales amounted to 70,000. The turnover in bonds came to dol. 900,000.

Dow Jones average closing included: Industrials 174.53; rails, 48.99; utilities 34.55 and bonds 99.18.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, Feb. 19.

American Telephone and Telegraph	147-7/8
Amerex Holding Co.	24-7/8
Anaconda Copper Mining	32
Chase National Bank	34-3/4
Sinclair Oil	20-1/4
Firestone Tyre & Rubber Co.	47-1/4
General Electric Co.	36-1/2
General Motors	58-7/8
Ingersol Rand	63
International Nicke l	28-3/4
National City Bank of New York	38-3/4
New York Central Rail Road Co.	11-1/8
Socony Vacuum Corporation	15-1/2
Texas Corporation	50-3/8
Union Carbide	38-1/2
U. S. Smelting Refining Mining Co.	42-1/2 bid
U. S. Steel Corporation Common	71-3/8
Western Union Telegraph	15-1/2
U. S. price of foreign silver	71-1/2 cents closed

LONDON BULLION

LONDON, Feb. 19.

Silver Spot and Forward	43-1/2d
Gold bars fine per oz.	£8/12/3

LONDON, Feb. 19

LONDON EXCHANGES UNCHANGED

CHICAGO, WHEAT: May 2,12-3/4 July 1.90 3/4 Sept. 1.91 Dec. 1.92-1/2

DYES AND CHEMICALS

((From: Chatrabhuj K. Mavji), BOMBAY, Feb. 18.

SAPTHOLS	
SAPTHOL CAS	8/4
CBO	14/4
CSW	16/4
CBS	13/12
Fast Scarlet CKRC Base	7/8
Fast Scarlet CKR Base	10/8
Fast Red CCKR Base	9/12
Fast Red CB Base	10/4
Fast Garnet CKGBC Base	3/4
Fast Yellow CGC Base	8
Fast Corinth CB Base	7
Fast Orange CGC Base	10/4
Fast Orange CKGR Base	8
Fast Bordeaux CGP Base	10
Fast Bordeaux CGP Salt	4/4
Fast Scarlet CKR Salt	2/10
Fast Blue CB Salt	3/12
DIRECT COLOURS.	
Direct Black Extra	3/4
Direct Green Extra	4/8
Direct Violet Extra	5/8
Direct Lellow 4GL	12
Direct Sky Blue Extra	6/12
Direct Rubin	5
Direct Orange Extra	6/8
Direct Browa	4/12
Diazo Black Extra	3/10
Chrysophenine Extra	9/12
Benzopurpurine 4B	4/12
Congo Red Extra	4/8
Tarquoise Blue G	18
SULPHUR COLOURS	
Sulphur Black 92	1/12
Sulphur Black 992	1/6
Sulphur Black HK Grains	1/6
Alizarine 20 p c Paste	185
Alizarine 100 p c Powder	8
CHEMICALS	
Hydrosulphite of Soda	14/6
Bisulphite of Soda	58
Turkey Red Oil	45
Monopol Napthol Soap	48
Soda Bicarb	19
Sitaric Acid	150
Soda Ash Light USA	18/8
Ammonia Bycarb Powder	50
Ammonia Chloride	35
White Sugar of Lead	115
Tri Sodium Phosphate	76
Nitrite of Soda	45
Bleaching Powder	19
	Per 10
Methylene Blue Extra	5/4
Mentanil Yellow Elephant	2/8
Mentanil Yellow Extra	4/8
Methyl Violet Lumps	4/4
Punkaj Magenta MCK Lumps	7
Magenta Extra O	8/12
Diamond Green	4
Bismark Brown Extra	3/4
Malachite Green Crys.	5/8
Chrysodine Extra	4
Auramine Extra	5
Acid Orange Extra	2/4
Soap Green	18/4
Acid Scarlet	6/8
Rhodamine B Extra 500 p c	19
Kumkum Scarlet	5/8
VAT FAST DYES	
Vat Blue GCD Powder	38
Vat Blue RSN Powder	37
Vat Dark Blue BO	28
Vat Brilliant Green B 900	38
Vat Olive Green B Powder	20
Vat Brilliant Green B2100 Powder	100
Vat Gray Powder	20
Vat Brown Powder	30
Vat Magenta B Powder	40
Vat Yellow 5G Powder	45
Vat Violet 2R & 4R Powder	60
PRINTING COLOURS	
Printosol OO	12
Printosol CO4B	16
Gold Yellow	66
Printosol Green Paste	42
Rapid Red	22
Orange	22
Indigo 60 p c Grains (American)	4/2
Indigo 60 p c Eng. 1 lb. pkg.	4/12
CHEMICALS	
Sodium Sulphide American	36
Sodium Sulphide Indian (Small)	40
Sulphate of Alumina (Pure)	18
Aniline Salt	0/14/6
Bischromat eof Potash	155
Caustic Soda 1 lb pkg.	0/6/6
Caustic Soda 450 lbs pkg.	29
Acetic Acid	0/12/6
Formal De Hyed	0/6
Zinc Dust	75
Brown Sugar of Lead	100
Bordx Crys.	24

Argentine's Economy "Good And Secure"

BUENOS AIRES, Feb. 19, (U.P.A.): President Juan Peron today denied reports that Argentine economy was shaky and insisted it was "as good and secure as in the best of times".

In a speech at the commencement exercises of the labour attaches school, Peron attributed the "rumours" about Argentina's economic situation to the Socialists, Communists and "foreign press".

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Atlantic Pact Parleys:

'NO WAR FOR HUNDREDS OF YEARS'!

Only If West & Peace-Loving Nations Co-ordinate Defence Efforts

—ERNEST BEVIN

U. S. WILLING TO SIGN PACT 'WITH TEETH IN IT', SAYS DEAN ACHESON

Americans Not To Stand Idly By If One Of Signatory Powers Was Attacked By Aggressor Nation

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19, (U.P.A.): Secretary of State Dean Acheson today assured Canada and five Western European powers that the United States was willing to sign the North Atlantic Defence pact with teeth in it"

Reliable informants said that Acheson informed representatives of the six powers at a surprise meeting in the State Department that the United States was willing to sign the North Atlantic Defence pact with attacked by an aggressor nation.

INFORMAL TALKS WITH N. A. P. POWERS REPRESENTATIVES

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19, (PTI-Reuter): Mr. Dean Acheson, United States Secretary of State, held an informal conference here today with representatives of the North Atlantic Pact powers. He is believed to have outlined the reaction of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee who met in secret session yesterday to discuss the provisional draft of the treaty

'GO AHEAD' HUKUM

Mr. Acheson is due to have another meeting with the Senate Committee, which, without finally committing itself, is expected to tell him to go ahead and complete negotiation of the pact.

Diplomatic circle here agree that substantial progress had been made as a result of yesterday's meeting between Mr. Acheson and the Senate Committee, in three directions:.

1. Remarks made by individual Senators disclosed that there was support from internationally-minded Senators of both the Republican and Democratic Parties for even stronger military commitments by the United States to its proposed Allies than those contemplated in the present draft.

PLEA FOR OVERWHELMING MAJORITY VOTE

But Senate leaders believe it is essential for the Act to have an overwhelming majority and not just the bare two-thirds majority required for ratification; and securing this may decrease the extent of United States military commitments, while increasing the probability of Congress wholeheartedly fulfilling actual commitments.

(2) Mr. Acheson was able to clear away suspicions that the Treaty was infringing the constitutional prerogative of Congress to declare war.

(3) Mr. Acheson's meeting with the Senators revealed substantial support for referring somewhere in the Pact to the possibility of armed force being used in the event of an armed attack against any member of the Alliance.

Such a clause, it is felt here, would help to clear away suspicions expressed in the European press, and would constitute a stern warning and deterrent to any aggressor.

NO WAR FOR HUNDREDS OF YEARS

BRISTOL:— Mr. Ernest Bevin, British Foreign Secretary, said here tonight that "if the West and the other peace-loving nations get together now, get a complete understanding and co-ordinate their defence efforts there will be no war for hundreds of years."

"Without this co-operation the nations of Europe will be taken individually, by means of strikes, unrest and Communist upheaval."

NORWAY'S ATTITUDE

OSLO:— The Norwegian Labour (Government) Party Congress today provisionally passed a resolution declaring that "Norway must try to solve her security problems in binding co-operation with the Western democracies". After hearing a statement by the Norwegian Foreign Minister M. Halvard Lange, who recently visited Washington and London for talks on the proposed Atlantic Pact.

Of about 400 delegates attending the Congress 329 voted in favour of the resolution.

Final voting will take place tomorrow on the fourth and final day of the Congress.

U. N. PALESTINE COMMISSION

Confers With Iraqi Premier

BAGHDAD, Feb. 20, (UPA):— The United Nations Palestine Conciliation Commission conferred with the Iraqi Premier, Nourai el-Sard, yesterday in an attempt to bring about an Arab-Jewish peace settlement.

The Commission was scheduled to leave today for Amman, Transjordan.

Hussein Yalcin, Turkish chairman of the commission, was quoted as saying "our fundamental aim is solely to establish peace between the Arab world and Israel. It is not our mission to compel any of the warring parties to accept any previous decision because peace treaties imposed by force usually are short-lived".

ISSUE OF FUTURE OF GALLILEE

DAMASCUS, Feb. 20, (PTI-Reuter): The United Nations Palestine Conciliation Committee, expected here tomorrow, will, it is understood, discuss with the Syrian Government the future of the Gallilee area as one of the main points on its agenda. Syrian papers report that land-owners in Gallilee have handed a memorandum to the Syrian Government, to other Arab Government and to the Commission, asking that Gallilee be annexed to Syria. Members of the Commission are to attend a dinner given by the Syrian Government.

NATIONALISATION OF IMPERIAL BANK

Poona Staff Supports K. T. Shah's Views

POONA, Feb. 20, (A.P.I.): The General Secretary of the Imperiall Bank of India Staff Federation in a statement today supporting the views of Prof. K. T. Shah, Mr. T. T. Krishnamachari and others in advocating the nationalisation of the Imperial Bank of India said that such nationalisation would place immense resources and funds at the disposal of the present Government for its post-war reconstruction programmes.

The nationalisation will also transfer into the hands of the Government vast means of controlling credit which will be a potent means of combating inflation. Regarding the doubt expressed by the Finance Minister about commercial banks being the suitable sphere for nationalisation, the General Secretary points out, that the Imperial Bank of India cannot be classed amongst the other ordinary commercial Banks as it enjoys special privileges under a special statute.

ANIMAL HEALTH COMMITTEE MEETS

Control Over Veterinary Products Recommended

BANGALORE, Feb. 20 (APL.) The sittings of the Animal Health, Livestock and Dairying Committees concluded here, yesterday, and their recommendations will be considered by the animal husbandry wing of the Board of Agriculture and Animal Husbandry in its plenary session tomorrow.

The Animal Health Committee reviewed disease problems of sheep and goats with reference to breeding farms and made detailed recommendations both regarding the causes of disease and measures required for combating them. The Committee recommended legislation for control over manufacture and trade in veterinary bio-logical products and proposed that detailed measures necessary in this connection should be worked out by a special committee. It suggested that a survey should be carried out of fodder and soil samples from various parts of the country in order to determine the exact part played by them. The Committee recommended the establishment of regional laboratories in different zones for helping in survey. Another important recommendation made by the Committee related to the expansions of artificial insemination and it was suggested that centres for its work should be opened in selected areas.

NEW BOMBAY GRADUATES

A group of graduates at the Special Convocation of the Bombay University.

Eve In Gown

MARKED IMPROVEMENT IN INDO-PAK RELATIONS

Zafrullah On New Era Since Kashmir Cease-Fire: Reported Statement To Foreign Press

KARACHI, FEB. 20, (A.P.I.): SIR MOHAMMED ZAFRULLAH KHAN PAKISTAN'S FOREIGN MINISTER WAS TODAY QUOTED BY THE PAKISTAN RADIO AS HAVING SAID: "THERE HAS BEEN A MARKED IMPROVEMENT IN THE RELATIONS BETWEEN INDIA AND PAKISTAN SINCE THE CEASE-FIRE CAME INTO EFFECT.

"I hope the United Nations Commission for India and Pakistan will be able to finish its work during the next few weeks so that after the Plebiscite Administrator had been appointed, steps can be taken for conducting the plebiscite before the thaw sets in Kashmir which will render communications difficult."

Sir Mohammed Zafrullah, the Radio said, had made this statement in an interview to a foreign correspondent while reviewing his Dominion's relations with neighbouring countres.

RELATIONS WITH OTHER NEIGHBOURS

The Pakistan Foreign Minister made the following points regarding other neighbouring countries:

(1) BURMA: "The Pakistan Government is deeply concerned with the reported maltreatment of Muslims in the Arakan. Some of them have crossed into East Bengal and are now in a refugee camp."

(2) THE STATE OF ISRAEL: "Pakistan will never recognise the Jewish state. It is an aggressive state which has been established by the Western Powers for their own domination inspite of the opposition of the countries of the Middle East."

Outlining Pakistan's policy towards Indonesia, Sir. Mohommed was quoted to have said: "It is the policy of Pakistan to see that foreign domination is ended in every country where the subject people wanted to get their own destiny and had amply demonstrated that they were capable of running their own affairs independently."

ALLEGED ANTI-MUSLIM ACTIVITIES

Four Resolutions Before Moslem Congress

KARACHI, Feb. 19, (A.P.P.): Four resolutions protesting against alleged anti-Moslem activities in Kashmir, Hyderabad, Indonesia and Palestine were proposed at the final session here tonight of the Moslem Congress organised by Islamic universities to discuss the future of their faith and culture.

The resolutions demanded that the Security Council should send an impartial commission of inquiry to Hyderabad, that the Dutch should be forced to leave Indonesia, and that Moslem countries under colonial rule should be given the right of self determination, especially in North Africa.

The motion on Palestine proposed by Salim el Husseini, cousin of the Mufti of Jerusalem protested against the establishment of Israel and asked that the United Nations and the great powers should help the Arabs in establishing a united Government of Palestine.

MOSLEM ECONOMIC CONFERENCE MOVE

KARACHI, Feb. 19, (A.P.P.): Plans for holding an economic conference of Moslem nations here next November were outlined today.

The International Islamic Economic Conference Secretariat which proposed the conference, issued a statement at its headquarters here suggesting that it should discuss planning of Moslem countries economies to make them complementary.

"PUT SOCIALISTS IN POWER FOR WORKERS' RAJ"

Aruna Asaf Ali's Call At Kamgar Maidan Meeting

BOMBAY, Sunday.

A meeting of textile workers was held this evening at the Kamgar Maidan, Parel under the auspices of the Mill Mazdoor Sabha when Mrs. Aruna Asaf Ali put forth a strong plea for mass support of the Socialist Party emphasising her point that the Congress had betrayed the cause of the working class. She contended that if the masses desired to enjoy the full benefits of freedom and establish a Workers Raj, their ideal could only be achieved by lending their full support to the Socialist Party and throwing their full weight in the struggle of the Socialists to get into harness in the Government of the country.

The rule of the workers she said had not yet been established, despite the fact that the present Government was brought into powder by the initiative and efforts of he working classes."

Mrs. Asaf Ali added that when the country was struggling to throw off the foreign yoke, the end in view was not merely home rule but a Government of the workers, whose primary concern would be the welfare of the working masses. What had actually happend was merely that a Congress bureaucracy had replaced British rule.

Commenting on the slogan "produce or perish" raised by the Government, the speaker said that the present conditions in the country with its shortages and economic inadequacies, did not permit of a practical application of the slogan. The worker could not tighten his belt and work harder at the same time.

Mrs. Asaf Ali added that the social and economic conditions of the worker should be changed. This the Congress had promised to do, but no constructive step in this direction had been taken. The Congress had betrayed the mill workers and the peasants. This naturally raised the question of how the conditions of the workers could be changed. The only way was the establishment of a workers' Government by removing Congress from the seat of Government and supporting the Socialist Party to get into power.

WHY THEY SHOULD TRUST SOCIALISTS

However, she added, the masses might doubt the Socialists. The Socialists could also betray the masses as the Congress had done. But, the speaker pleaded, the Socialist Party was composed of workers, and it felt and though as the worker did. The worker should support the Socialist Party and make it the party of the working class. The worker should also feel that the country was his and he was its ruler. Unless the worker had this feeling in him, he would never have the courage to fight for and achieve a workers' Raj.

Congress rule, far from benefitting the masses, had made the country safe for Zamindari and capitalism If the prevailing conditions had to be changed and a new system of Government which would make the needs of the workers its chief concern was to be established the worker had to throw in his lot with the Socialist Party popularise it in towns and villages as an alternative to the Congress and give strength to its arm.

Uday Shankar In London

LONDON, Feb. 19 (PTI-Reuter).— Uday Shankar, the famous Indian dancer, has arrived in London to show British audiences a 10,000-feet film illustrating his technique. He is accompanied by his wife and child.

3 ATTEMPTS ON LIFE OF EGYPT'S NEW PREMIER

Reds Acting Under Cloak Of Right-Wing Organisations?

STRINGENT SECURITY MEASURES TO CHECK POLITICAL TERRORISM

CAIRO, Feb. 20 (PTI—Reuter)—The Cairo Police Commandant, Ahmed Abdel Hady Bey, has fitted patrol cars with two-way radio to help his "flying squads" in their drive against spreading political terrorism in Egypt.

At the same time, he has placed the entire police force in permanent "Hala Gim"—or third degree state of alert.

SECRET SOCIETIES SEEKING TO OVERTHROW GOVT.

Following the murder of the Prime Minister Mohmoud Fahmy el Nokrashy Pasha, and Police Commandant Selim Zaki Pasha, the Egyptian public security authorities claim to have discovered several "secret societies" whose aim was to overthrow the present regime in this country.

Big arms dumps and jeeps loaded with high explosives have been discovered, in addition to tons of seditious literature.

COMMUNISTS BEHIND IT?

The authorities suspect that Communist agitators are operating under the cloak of extreme right-wing organisations, and investigations are now being intensified in this direction.

Indicative of the seriousness with which the Egyptian Government regards the activities of the "secret societies" is the fact that three high officials—Abdul Rahman Amma Bey, Under-Secretary of State at the Ministry og the Interior, Saber el Tantawy Bey, Director of Public Security and Police Commandant Abdel Hady Bey—have been given full powers to curb the present wave of terrorism.

Security precautions have been increased throughout the country.

No unauthorised person is allowed access to the Presidency, or to the istry of the Interior, where Premier Nokrashy Pasha was assassinated six weeks ago, and barbed wire entanglements have been erected round key ministries and public buildings.

Three attempts on the life of Premier Abdul Hady Pasha are stated by the police to have been averted since he succeeded the late Nokrashy Pasha, while numerous hand-grenade attacks on Government premises, foreign embassies and banks and business concerns have also been discovered in time.

200 DAWOODI BOHRA DELEGATES SUPPORT ANTI-EXCOMMUNICATION BILL

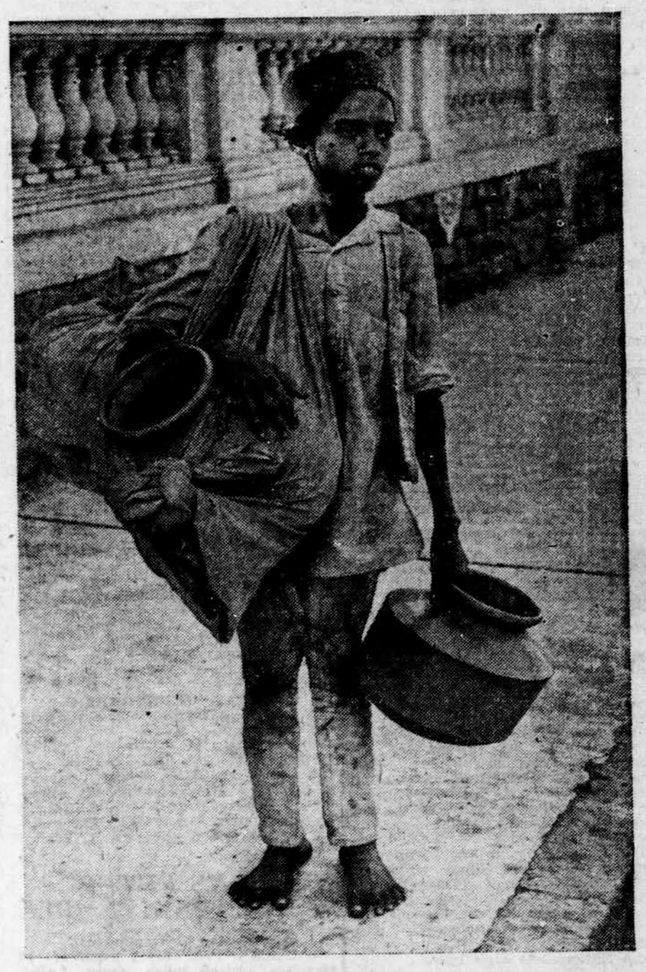
BOMBAY, Sunday.

Two hundred delegates, including thirty women from all over the Bombay Province who attended a Conference of Dawoodi Bohra community sponsored by the Dawoodi Bohra Association, Dawoodi Bohra Progressive Party and two other organisations, welcomed the proposed Anti-Excommunication Bill and called upon Government not to delay the Legislation under any circumstances. Dr. Teheralli Godhrawalla presided.

Addressing the meeting which was held at the Anjuman Hall, Dr. Teheralli said the Bohra community in particular was grateful to Mr. Morarji Desai, Home Minister of Bombay for his efforts to save his community from the "tyrannical attitude of the Bohra Priest". He added that the opposition to the Bill should have come from the Head Priest himself, but he had scrupulously kept back and the opposition came from the beckdoor and through the so-called section of the community.

Continuing he challenged the representative character of the last Bohra conference convened in Bombay which condemned the Bill and said that in various places deputy priests had nominated delegates and were asked to oppose the Bill.

BOMBAY'S STREET-VENDORS



40. The Mud-Pot Seller

Here is perhaps Bombay's best-loved vendor. Summer or winter, Pedder Road or Parel, he is indispensable because even the aristocrat loves the earthy smell of water which is cooled in this cheap mud-pot. Starting his rounds at the break of dawn from his thatched hutment at Sion, this lad has covered the length and breath of Bombay without foot-wear. His two-word sales slogan "Panina Matla" is perhaps the only one which is not greeted with a round of abuse by the house-wife who is disturbed from her midday seista. The mud-pot seller has his small tricks—he will dash the pot against the other to prove that his ware is strong. And yet, if you attempt the same test, you may have four half pots in the place of two whole ones. You might take the vendor at his word that the pot is leak-proof, store water over-night and walk into the kitchen to find a placid lake. But you are sure to forgive the vendor because he knows no black market.

MUTT AND JEFF—After all Vaction Is When School Is Out

By BUD FISHER

JEFF, THE SUMMER IS OVER AND WE HAVEN'T HAD OUR VACATION YET!
YEH, WE USUALLY GET TWO WEEKS!
I'LL GO IN AND SEE THE BOSS ABOUT IT!
BUD FISHER
WELL, WHAT DID HE SAY?
HE SAID HE DOESN'T GET A VACATION!
WHAT'S THAT GOT TO DO WITH US?
HE SAID WHEN HE WORKS WE WORK AND HE HAS TO WORK!
FISHER
I WONDER WHAT HE WOULD DO WITHOUT US!
YEH, IF IT WASN'T FOR US, WHERE WOULD HE BE?

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